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## ARABIA DECLINES TO PARTICIPATE IN ECONOMIC SANCTIONS

### RESPONSIBILITY TOO GREAT

### WILL REMAIN STRICTLY NEUTRAL

### BRITISH PROTEST TO ROME

— CHINA MAIL — SPECIAL

Geneva, To-day.

The Government of Saudi Arabia has declared its intention of not participating in the sanctions. The latter states that, in joining the economic sanctions, Arabia would enter upon a considerable responsibility without enjoying the advantages and privileges enjoyed by the League member States. Despite its sincere desire to shorten the war in Abyssinia, the only thing for the country to do at the moment is to remain strictly neutral.

The British Ambassador, Sir Eric Drummond, paid a visit yesterday to the Under-Secretary of State in the Foreign Ministry, Signor Savich, handing him the British Government's answer to the memorial set forth by Italy as to the Franco-British military arrangements, and the note is expected to be published to-day. — Trans-Ocean Service.

London: A protest has been lodged by the British Ambassador at Rome with the Italian Foreign Under-Secretary with regard to the Italian reports that Colonel Holt, the British Military Attaché to Abyssinia, is acting as chief military adviser to the Emperor. The Ambassador pointed out that there were not the slightest grounds for such an absurd allegation. — Reuter.

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### EXPANSION OF ITALY'S AIR FORCE

### \$1,500,000 Voted In The Budget

Rome, To-day. The budget for 1936-37 provides \$1,500,000 more for Air Force expansion. This sum is only for the permanent Air Force in Italy and is not for the Air Force at the war front. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

### POLITICS IN FRANCE

### Change In Electoral Methods

### MOTION DEFEATED IN CHAMBER

— CHINA MAIL — SPECIAL

Paris, To-day.

The motion that the House enter into discussions on the proposed electoral reform, which envisages the introduction of proportional representation instead of the present system, was defeated in the Chamber by 219 votes to 140.

During the discussion one of the Deputies said that it was largely due to the proportional electoral system that the Republic never took root in Germany, because the voter hardly ever knew the Deputy for whom he was supposed to vote. — Trans-Ocean Service.

### HUGE FIRE IN TIENTSIN

### 100 People Killed Or Injured

Tientsin, To-day.

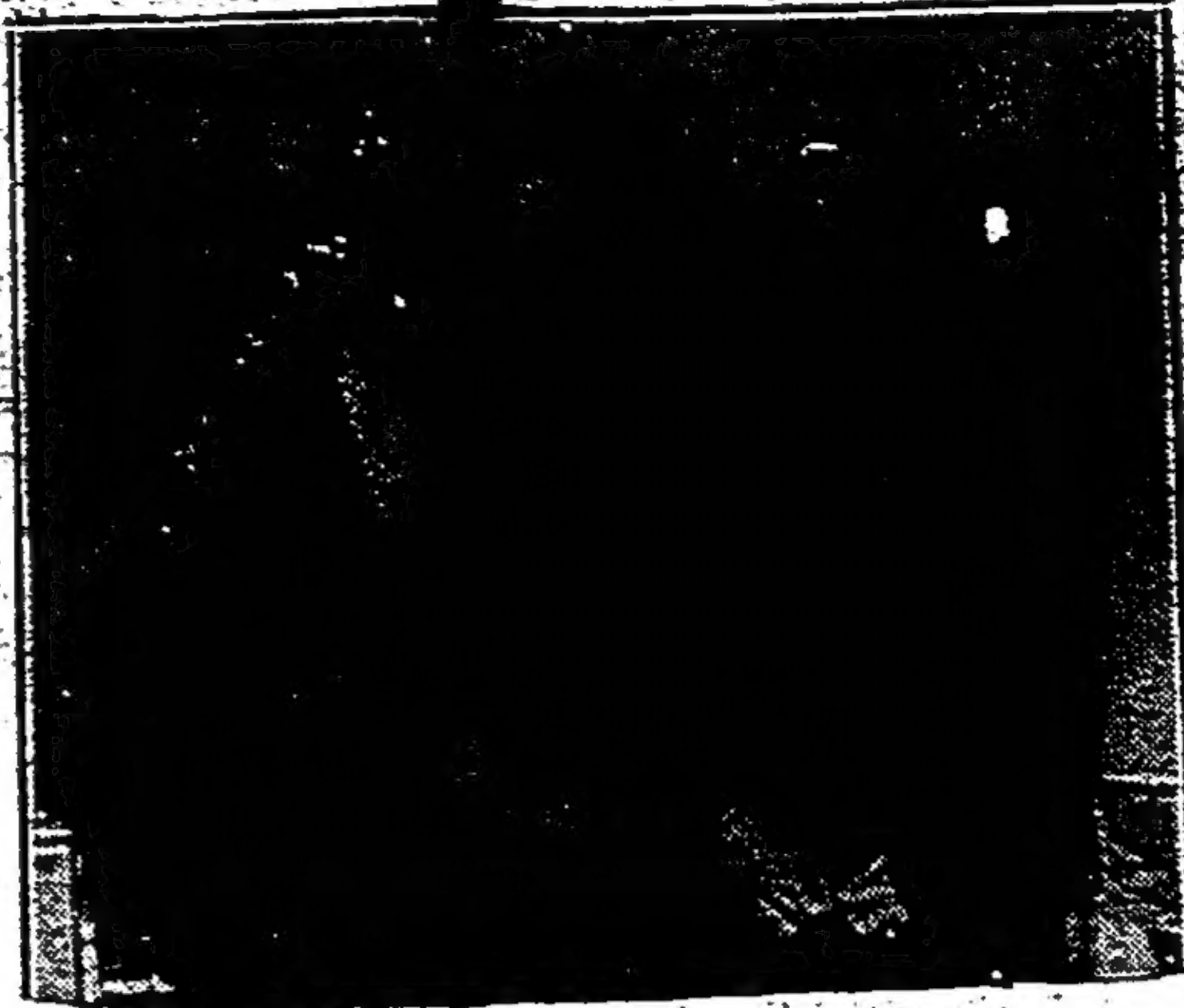
A conflagration this morning in the Chinese city razed to the ground the temporary tenements for the poor, in which there were 500 houses. It is estimated that 100 people were killed or injured. — Reuter.

### FIRE IN LOCKHART ROAD

Shortly after noon to-day a small fire broke out on the first floor of No. 480, Lockhart Road, the premises occupied by the Fah See Candy Company. The fire originated in the drying room but the damage done was fortunately negligible.

### RUGGER HELD UP BY FROST

London, To-day. The friendly Inter-County Rugby encounter between Somerset and Middlesex, which should have taken place at Weston-super-Mare yesterday, was unavoidably cancelled owing to frost. — Reuter.



The newly elected President of Cuba, Dr. Miguel Mariano Gomez, is shown here with his wife at their Havana home as the return assured his elevation to the highest office in the land. The President-elect was formerly mayor of Havana.

### WOMAN HAS FANTASTIC NIGHTMARE

### REPORTS AT POLICE STATION COVERED WITH BLOOD

— CHINA MAIL — SPECIAL

Kovno, To-day.

Covered with blood and clad only in a nightdress, a woman entered the police station in the middle of Wednesday night in a state of fearful agitation, and told, only with great difficulty, how she had been attacked in her flat by a man of gigantic stature. She then fell into a deep swoon. A doctor had to be called, and meanwhile police officers hurried off to the flat, in the hope of finding the intruder.

To their surprise they found the door securely locked, and failed to discover any indications of the brutal assault described by the tenant. In the bedroom, however, one window was broken, and the pieces of glass lay not in the room, but in the courtyard below, where also traces of fresh blood were found.

The puzzling circumstances were revealed when the woman recovered and realised that all this had been but a nightmare. In a paroxysm of fear, she had—without clearly remembering doing so—jumped through the closed window of the second storey into the courtyard, and remained as by miracle unharmed except for cuts in the face. She then ran in her nightdress through the streets, although the temperature was 12 degrees Centigrade below zero, and instinctively found her way to the nearest police station. — Trans-Ocean Service.

### TROOPING OF COLOUR

### His Majesty To Lead The Parade

### CEREMONY ON KING'S NEXT BIRTHDAY

London, To-day.

The ceremony of the Trooping of the Colour will take place on King Edward's birthday, June 23. The ceremony will take place as usual on the Horse Guards Parade and the King will then, for the first time since his accession, ride at the head of his troops back to Buckingham Palace.

It will be recalled that the King, when Prince of Wales, acted for his father, King George, at the Trooping of the Colour two years ago and rode at the head of the Guards on their march from the Horse Guards Parade to Buckingham Palace, where he took the salute at the march past. His Majesty has also arranged to present new colours to six battalions of Guards at the Horse Guards Parade on July 16. — British Wireless Service.

### BRITISH BUDGET STATEMENT

### On April 20 Or 21

London, To-day.

In Parliamentary circles it is believed that the Budget statement will be made in the House of Commons by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, on either April 20 or 21. — British Wireless Service.

### U.S. PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

### Mr. Roosevelt To Try For Re-election

Springfield, Ill., To-day.

Definitely declaring his candidacy for a second term of office, President Roosevelt has filed his papers to enter the Illinois Democratic Presidential primary election, being held on April 14. — Reuter.

### EXPERT'S EVIDENCE IN PEPPER CASE

### GOOD PROFITS SECURED ON CONVERSION

### MYSTERIOUS SHAREHOLDER MENTIONED

London, To-day.

The fact that black pepper could be converted into white pepper played an important part in the pepper case, according to an expert witness at the resumed hearing at the Old Bailey.

Mr. Duncan McKellar, the accountant who examined the books and documents in the case, testified that he was unable to obtain definite information regarding the existence of a pepper pool, but he discovered references to a mysterious gentleman called Galie who had a 10 per cent. interest in Pool No. 1 and 20 per cent. in Pool No. 2.

Mr. Ernest Figgis, a produce merchant, gave evidence that black pepper at the material time was 6d. a lb., compared with 18d. for white pepper. The difference gave a good profit on conversion, and he added that that was another disturbing element in the market.

F. L. Fisher, of the firm of auditors, said that he saw nothing in the books of Williams Henry and Co. of pepper commitments. He did not think it necessary in the certificate in connection with James Shakespeare's prospectus to mention the forward positions in tin and shellac, because such a firm was bound to have open positions in commodities in which it dealt.

The hearing was adjourned. — Reuter.

### SOVIET-MANCHUKUO TENSION

### Japanese Detachment Ordered To Stand By

Shanghai, To-day. A Japanese report from Tientsin states that the Japanese detachment there has been ordered to stand by as a result of the Okhotsk clash. — Reuter.

### DEFENCE OF SWATOW

### City Strategically Important

### HIGH MILITARY OFFICERS INSTRUCTED

[From Our Own Correspondent]

Canton, To-day. Several high military officers on garrison duty in the Swatow districts were in Canton yesterday to take instructions on the military defence of that region, which is of strategic importance. A systematic plan to that effect has been formed, it is understood.

Among the commanding officers back here from Eastern Kwangtung are Lieut-General Huang Jen-huan, commanding the first independent division, Lieut-General Teng Lung-kwang, commanding the ninth division, Lieut-General Huang Yin-ching, executive officer of the Third Army, and Brigadier-General Li Tu-yu, Chief of Staff of the Eastern Pacific Division Office.

There are no natural barriers in Eastern Kwangtung which may be used as a means of military defence. Fortifications and a garrison are therefore necessary for the safety of that area.

### ABLE WARRIOR'S FINE GALLOP

### Pony Appears To Be Quite Sound

(By "RAPID")

Mr. Fitzhugh's Able Warrior, the new Australian sub. which was previously reported to be lame, was taken out over half a mile this morning by a riding boy, covering the distance in 1.01.0 with quarters of 0.32.1 and 0.28. This leads one to believe that the pony is sound again and that he will offer a spirited challenge in the Sydney Maidens under Mr. D. S. L.

### U.S. SILVER POLICY

### Large Purchases From China

### MORGENTHAU ISSUES STATEMENT

Washington, To-day.

Mr. Henry A. Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, revealed yesterday that the total of Treasury silver purchases from China negotiated in November amounted to 50,000,000 ounces. The Treasury paid the then prevailing world price of 65 cents an ounce, the amount paid thus totalling \$32,500,000.

He said that China kept a balance in New York and recently requested the conversion of 10,000,000 ounces into gold on Monday. Mr. Morgenthau said that China could have the remainder in gold at any time, and expressed admiration for the success of the new Chinese currency.

Denying a special price arrangement with Mexico, Mr. Morgenthau said that Mexican silver was bought daily at the New York price.

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### MARSEILLES MURDER

### Death Sentences For Absent Defendants

Paris, To-day.

In connection with the life sentence on three Croats for complicity in the assassination of King Alexander of Yugoslavia and M. Louis Barthou, three others who were absent were given death sentences. Two of these people are now imprisoned in Italy, but the Italian Government has refused to extradite them. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.



Grand Duchess Kyra



Prince Ferdinand

Grand Duchess Kyra, top, second daughter of the Russian pretender, and Prince Louis Ferdinand, second son of the former German Crown Prince, have been linked by romantic rumours which report an attempt to restore the fortunes of European royalty through this strategic alliance.



## MAIL SCHEDULES

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Canton-Lungchow—Saturdays, Reg. 4.30 p.m. Ordinary 5.00 p.m.  
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At Kowloon Central Post Office the mails will be closed 1 hour before the above times.

## INWARD MAILS.

## FROM EUROPE

Feb.  
Fushimi Maru ..... 15  
Somali ..... 18  
Corfu (via Suez) ..... 20

## FROM SHANGHAI

Feb.  
General Lee ..... 14  
Pres. Garfield ..... 14  
Szechuan ..... 15  
Ginseng ..... 21  
Kishu Maru ..... 21  
Pres. Grant ..... 21  
Cathay ..... 22  
Rio de Janeiro Maru ..... 22  
Chenonceaux ..... 23  
Memnon ..... 23

## FROM STRAITS &amp; INDIA

Feb.  
Fushimi Maru ..... 15  
Kishu Maru ..... 15  
Ajaz ..... 16  
Somali ..... 18  
Santhia ..... 18  
Nagato Maru ..... 20  
Pres. Grant ..... 21  
Toba Maru ..... 22

## FROM U.S.A.

Feb.  
General Lee ..... 14  
Pres. Garfield ..... 14  
Pres. Grant ..... 21

## FROM MANILA

Feb.  
Pres. McKinley ..... 14  
Tjkenbang ..... 15  
Ajaz ..... 16  
Atsuta Maru ..... 20

## FROM JAPAN

Feb.  
General Lee ..... 14  
Pres. Garfield ..... 14  
Panag Maru ..... 14  
Delago Maru ..... 15  
Kishu Maru ..... 21  
Pres. Grant ..... 21  
Cathay ..... 22

## FROM AUSTRALIA

Feb.  
Atsuta Maru ..... 20

## OUTWARD MAILS.

## FOR EUROPE

Feb.  
Shirala (Singapore, Australia Service) ..... 14  
Closes: Reg. 4.30 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.  
Yasukuni Maru (Imperial Service) ..... 14  
Closes: Reg. Noon Ord. 12.30 p.m.  
Pres. McKinley (via Victoria) ..... 14  
Closes: Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.  
Fushimi Maru (via Siberia) ..... 15  
Tatsuta Maru (via Siberia) ..... 18  
Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 8.30 a.m.  
Cathay (via Marseilles) ..... 21  
Closes: Reg. 9.45 a.m. Ord. 10.30 a.m.  
Athos II (via Siberia) ..... 22

## FOR SHANGHAI

Feb.  
Pres. McKinley ..... 14  
Fushimi Maru ..... 15  
Tatsuta Maru ..... 18  
Athos II ..... 22

# Women's Page

## Big Problem Of Decorating

### VELVET POPULAR AGAIN

#### Old Pieces Very Useful

Velvet is popular again this winter. For the home dressmaker or milliner who wishes to use up old pieces the following hints may be useful. To freshen velvet brush lightly against the nap with a soft brush. To bring up the pile stretch a long strip of wet muslin over the face of a hot iron, pass the velvet with its wrong side over the muslin, brushing gently with a soft brush. Two people can do this more successfully than one, as the muslin has to be moved along as it dries to keep the steam upon the velvet. Or, more simply, the velvet may be held over a basin of steaming water, which will raise the pile. To "panne" velvet pass an iron over its surface, working the way of the nap. Velvet and corduroy may be washed in lukewarm soap lather, moved and plunged about, not rubbed, then rinsed in two lukewarm waters and at once hung out to dry, not being squeezed or rubbed at all.

Regardless of season or style, black is always correct. And here Anne Shirley appears in an attractive street coat of black wool with the fabric woven in a pattern of small, invisible checks. The collar is black fox.

## FOR JAPAN

Feb.  
Pres. McKinley ..... 14  
Fushimi Maru ..... 15  
Tatsuta Maru ..... 18  
Atsuta Maru ..... 21  
Athos II ..... 22

## FOR U.S.A.

Feb.  
Pres. McKinley ..... 14  
Fushimi Maru ..... 15  
Tatsuta Maru ..... 18

## FOR MANILA

Feb.  
Pres. Hoover ..... 14  
Pres. Garfield ..... 14  
General Lee ..... 14  
Pres. Garfield ..... 15  
Tjkenbang ..... 18  
Ajaz ..... 18

## FOR STRAITS AND INDIA

Feb.  
Yasukuni Maru ..... 14  
Shirala ..... 14  
Yaseng ..... 15  
Cathay ..... 21

## FOR AUSTRALIA

Feb.  
Changte ..... 18

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### Old Type Windows Replaced

#### STREAMLINE WITHOUT CHILL

The big problem of decorating a room in the clean-lined modern manner is that the result is apt to look cold and too austere functional.

In one decoration scheme a successful attempt has been made to overcome this difficulty.

The room, of moderate size, was originally a rather shocking specimen of Victorian bad taste. It has been skillfully redecorated and furnished to look spacious, even though it has to perform the dual purpose of dining-room and sitting-room.

The effect has been arrived at in several ways. First the old type of sash windows were replaced by outward-opening mental ones.

The old badly-designed cornice of the mid-Victorian era was covered so that it should no longer distract the eye.

#### Generous Fireplace

A fireplace of generous proportions in marble and black tiles was substituted for the very impractical apology for a fireplace built originally with the house.

These alterations to walls and ceiling finished, the flooring had to be considered. It was decided after some deliberation that parquet was the best and most permanent solution.

Constructionally, the room was treated plainly, so it was necessary to be simple in the decorative scheme.

Clear-cut, svelte lines were the aim. They were achieved by a clever and not too obvious use of sharp colour-contrasts with a light background and dark accents.

#### "Dirty" Pink

The walls and ceiling were plainly painted in a shade which is a cross between apricot and "dirty" pink.

White or very light furnishing fabrics are generally impractical, and for this scheme artistically wrong. So a nigger-brown, material was procured—not without difficulty, as plain dark furnishings are not easily found, and one often has to get material specially dyed.

Two chairs and the couch were covered in the dark material; the effect is excellent. It lends both balance and depth of tone to the room, which might otherwise have been dull and flat.

The second sofa was not covered in nigger brown, as the decorator well knew the folly of over-stressing even a good thing.

A checked material to tone with the nigger brown and having a cream ground was voted suitable.

To ally the plain and checked materials, one or two cushions were covered in the patterned stuff and put in the plain chairs.



A smart outfit for the winter resort is worn here by Betty Davis, the screen actress. The skirt is a heavy black crepe topped with a patch-pocketed jacket of crisp black tulle dotted with white chemise tufts. The tailored neckline is softened with an Ascot scarf of the skirt fabric.

### ONLY FOR FILM WORK

#### Blue Hair For Actress

Hollywood, long considered shock-proof, opened its eyes pretty wide one day recently when Miss Janet Beecher, noted character actress, walked onto the "Dark Angel" set at the Goldwyn studios with her hair dyed blue!

Make no mistake about this—Miss Beecher's crowning glory was not tinged with blue—it was one mass of brilliant cobalt.

"This film isn't being made in Technicolor," said the director, Mr. Sidney Franklin.

The actress smiled, and explained:

"My hair is grey, and I have found that on the screen ordinary grey hair photographs quite dark and makes me look quite youthful. Inasmuch as I'm playing a woman well along in years—Mr. Herbert Marshall's mother—I should have whitish hair."

"I have learned that in photography, greying hair washed in a heavy solution of bluing will give the illusion on the screen that the hair is entirely white."

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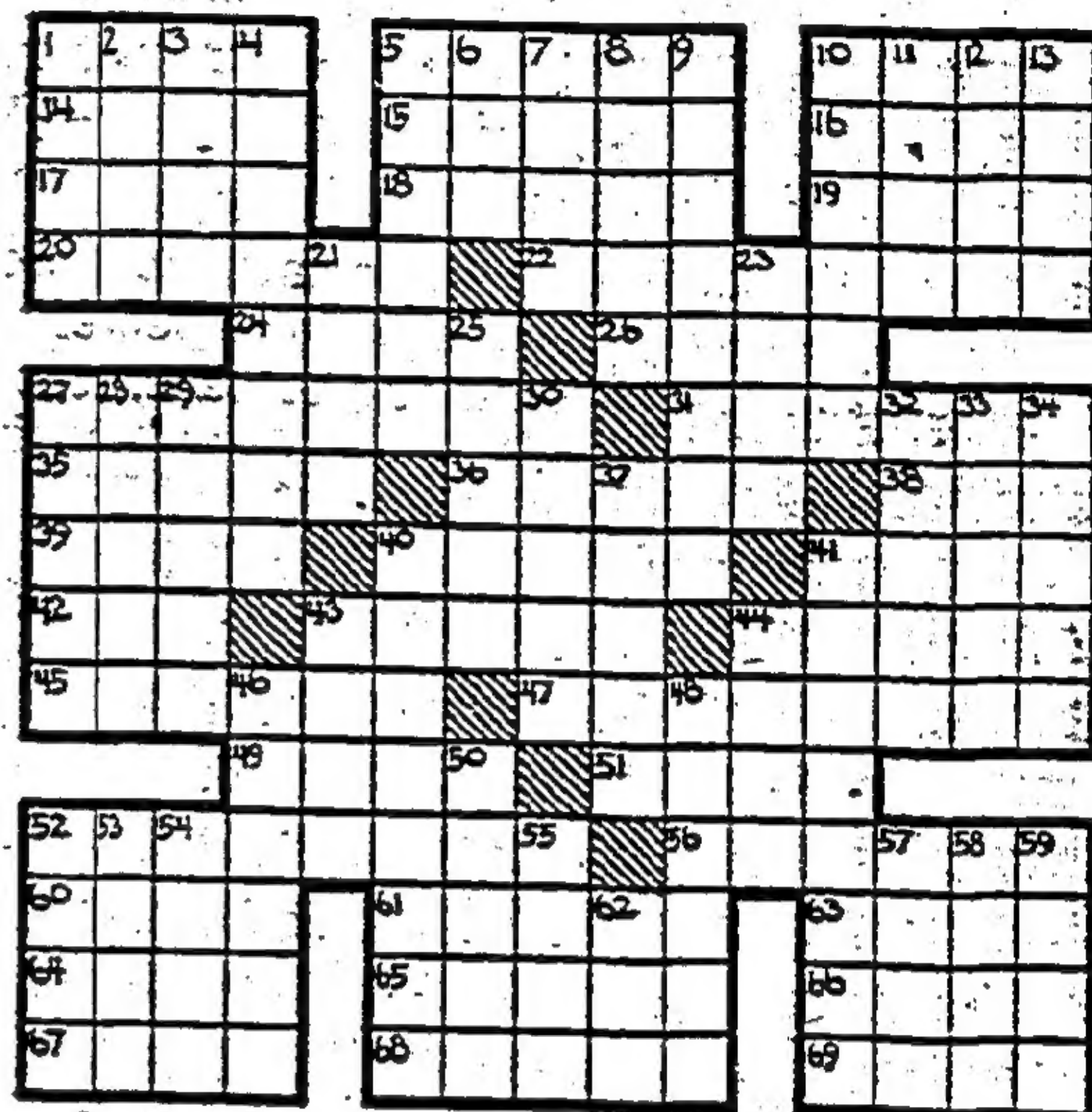
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## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



## HORIZONTAL

1-Level  
5-Harass  
10-Western  
14-Scene  
15-Stub out  
16-East longitude (abbr.)  
17-Pandora  
18-Ascend  
19-An ornament  
22-Compositions upon  
24-Snare  
26-Newer (contr.)  
27-Distill  
31-Decorated with rods  
35-Precipitate  
36-Trials  
38-Roar (Obs.)  
39-Wait  
40-Moderated  
41-A tower  
42-Three (Ital.)  
43-Cut through  
44-Pail  
45-Cord  
47-Splines  
49-Drives, as a stone

## HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

51-Rage  
52-Seizing  
56-Merit  
58-Widom  
61-The Scandinavian people  
63-River in Bohemia  
64-Turkish official  
65-An English historian  
68-Mountain in Moab (Bible)  
67-Dapper  
69-Large drain  
69-Pant

## VERTICAL

1-Unfettered  
2-Youth  
3-Greek god of war  
4-Occupied  
5-The lower animals  
6-Make a mistake  
7-Part of a vessel  
8-Prussian city  
9-Sawed  
10-Harsh  
11-Wing-shaped  
12-Assume an attitude

## VERTICAL (Cont.)

13-To cut (Prov. Eng.)  
21-Period of time  
23-Golf mounds  
25-Ripened stalks  
27-Clear  
28-Inactive  
29-Guide  
30-One who dines  
32-Male bee  
33-Relieves  
34-Clothes  
37-Evergreen tree  
40-Course material for bag-making (pl.)  
41-Regenerating  
43-Clip  
44-To plunge into water  
46-Insect  
48-Business  
50-Breasts mainly when asleep  
52-Valley  
53-City in Italy  
54-Melody  
57-On the ocean  
58-Richels (abbr.)  
59-Let fall  
62-Saints (abbr.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.



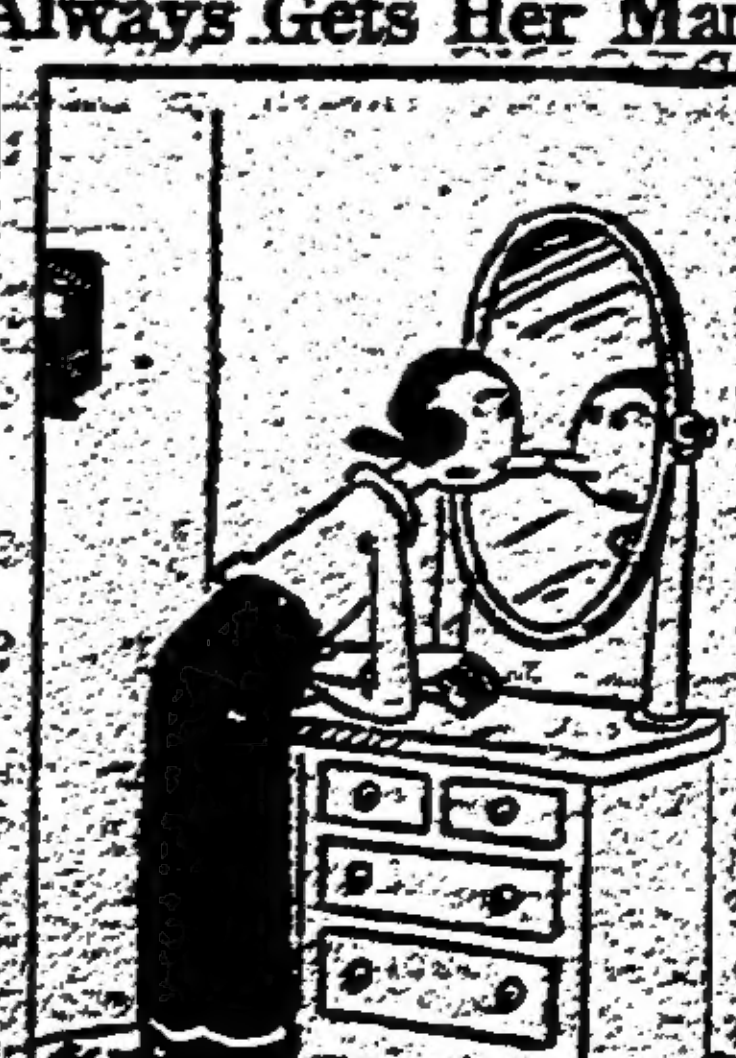
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The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 8th February 1936 to SATURDAY, 15th February 1936 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
KAN TONG PO,  
Chief Manager.

HONG KONG, 30th January, 1936.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 18th February, 1936, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1935.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 8th February to TUESDAY, 18th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 31st Jan., 1936.

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BANKING CORPORATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd February 1936, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1935.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 10th February to SATURDAY, the 22nd February 1936 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors  
V. M. GRAYBURN,  
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 3rd February, 1936.

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THE FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1936, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 21st February 1936, to THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors  
Y. H. GRAYBURN,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 12th February, 1936.

## BUSINESS DIRECTORY

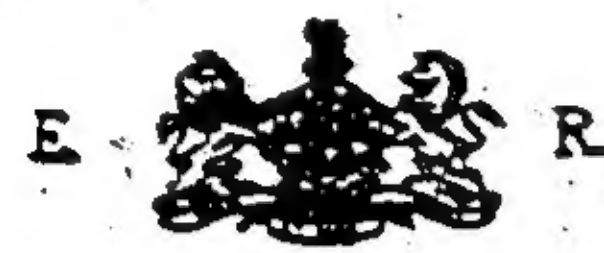
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J. BALSTON,  
Director.

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## LOCAL EXAMINATIONS

The following are the dates of the forthcoming Examinations:—  
PRACTICAL  
(Vocal & Instrumental)  
From 16th to 28th May 1936  
Last Day of Entry:—28th February 1936

THEORETICAL (Paper Work)  
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Last Day of Entry:—6th March 1936

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## SPORTS CLUB

## NOTICE TO MEMBERS

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Saturday, February 15th at 9 p.m.  
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Lotteries each day will be on:—  
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V. E. DUCLOS,  
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## BRIDGE NOTES

IT PAYS TO  
LISTEN

By Ely Culbertson.

A bridge player's ears will be of untold value to him if he keeps them wide open and listens to all phases of the bidding. Below is an example of a beautiful play made possible because the declarer paid attention to the bidding and based his conclusions on the minimum strength the opponents had to hold to make the bids they made.

Neither side vulnerable  
S A 6 5  
H 7 6  
D K J 9 7 5 3  
C A 10  
S 9 7  
H K 9 4 2  
D W E H A J 8 7  
C S D Q 10 4  
C K Q 9 7 6 4  
S Q J 10 8 4 2  
H Q 10 5  
D A 8 2  
C 3

The bidding: (Figures after bids refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs.)

South West North East  
Pass Pass 1H (1)  
1S (2) 2C (3) Pass Pass  
3S (4) 4H (5) 4S (6) Pass Pass

1—This is a doubtful overcall in a four-card suit but with distributed strength East feared to pass.  
2—Having passed originally, South could almost have bid two spades with so strong a major suit.

3—West explores the possibilities of the club suit before raising the hearts.  
4—Now South jumps to show the strength of his hand.  
5—Back to the heart suit. West would have been safer if he had raised the hearts the first time and shown his clubs afterwards.

6—It is obligatory for North at this point to show his spade support.  
South made his contract by drawing brilliant conclusions from the previous bidding and the fall of the cards on the first few tricks. West opened the deuce of hearts and East won the Ace, shifting to the deuce of clubs. The Queen fell to dummy's Ace. South now reasoned that if the spade finesse lost and he was forced also to lose a diamond trick, he would be down, and to avoid this contingency he had better start preparing for a throw-in play later. He therefore led dummy's remaining heart. East played low and South performed the trick with the King and tried to cash the King of clubs but South trumped.

South cashed the Queen of hearts, and instead of taking the rather obvious spade finesse, he led a low spade to the Ace. He was almost sure East held the spade King since without that card East could hardly have overcalled. The spade finesse would therefore have been futile.  
After putting up dummy's spade Ace, South led back the five of spades and East was stuck in the lead with the King. At this point East had to concede the remainder, for if he led a heart or a club South would be able to discard his losing diamond and ruff with dummy's last trump, while if East led a diamond it would be into a tenace.

Had South taken the spade finesse he would have lost his contract for East could have won the King and exited with a low spade and later South would have had to come to his Queen of diamonds, which would have been the setting trick.

## A Wise Precaution!

Cook: "Did they say anything about the cooking?"  
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"DEAD HAND GRIP"  
ON U. S. REFORMS

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"Danger" Long Foreseen  
The 13 original States were purely agricultural. The 48 of to-day are both agricultural and industrial, and another important change is that distance has been annihilated. At the time of the foundation of the Republic it took three weeks to get from New York to Washington; to-day it takes a little over three hours by train and less by air.

The founding fathers, recognising this problem of distance, framed a strictly Federal Constitution in which the rights of the States were preserved and all tendencies toward centralisation of government in Washington discouraged.

To-day, when invention and science have drawn the world into the size of a small State 200 years ago, the dead hands of the fathers of the Republic still operate to prevent nationwide measures for the relief of the great nation which has grown from the tiny seed they planted.

## Had Foresight

Even they, however, seem to have had more foresight than some of their successors. The Constitution which they framed is not a body of Statute law. It is a declaration of principles, most of which are as applicable to-day as the day they were written down in the Constitution. They require interpretation, however, and that is the task of the Supreme Court, an august body composed of nine learned old gentlemen whose average age is 72.

These learned judges differ quite honestly in their interpretation of the Constitution as to their minds are conservative or liberal. The Supreme Court of to-day is conservative by six to three, and it is significant that this was exactly the division on the A.A.A. decision. Six conservative justices declared it unconstitutional. Three liberal judges wrote a dissenting opinion.

Stone, Brandeis and Cardozo, the dissenting judges, have been in a minority on all questions where property rights, or perhaps it would be truer to say capitalist claims, have been upheld by the court. They may yet be in a majority for, as "Mr. Dooley" once said, the decisions of the Supreme Court follow the election returns.

## At A Distance

They do—but at a distance. The judges die or retire, and their successors are appointed by the President. A Liberal President appoints Liberal judges, and so the Court gradually catches up with public opinion.

A brief consideration of the legal issue in the A.A.A. litigation may show how slight was the ground for destroying the relief laws. Paragraph 1 of Section 8 of the Constitution says:

"Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises, to pay the debts and provide for the common defence and general welfare of the United States."

The attack on the relief organisations turned on the words "general welfare." The persons and organisations which attacked the relief laws argued that the taxes levied under them were not for the general welfare of the United States, but for certain well-defined classes, such as farmers or labourers. The majority of the Court took this view, while the minority held that to do so was to "torture" the meaning of the words "general welfare."

## Slight Thing

On so slight a thing, then, as the interpretation of what was in the minds of a group of statesmen and lawyers nearly 200 years ago has depended the recasting of the whole economic and social policy of the United States of to-day.

In spite of this, and in spite of the resentment which is growing in the United States against the dead hand, there is little likelihood of radical reform. The average American is the most conservative person in the world. He instinctively clings to his Constitution and his Supreme Court as the only barriers against hasty and ill-considered legislation, as he is fond of saying, "against revolution."

Although America has a Two-Chamber Legislature, the Senate



Gertrude Lawrence plays the leading role in "Mimi," a British Imperial production which will be shown at the Majestic Theatre next Sunday.

CONSPIRACY TO  
DEFAUD"Merry And Bright"  
Ltd. Fails

Sentence was passed at the Old Bailey recently on two men who were found guilty at the last sessions of conspiring to defraud the creditors of a company known as Merry and Bright Ltd.

Edward Meadows, aged 25, traveller, was sent to gaol for 12 months, and John Bright, aged 22, salesman, for nine months. It was stated that the company had a life of only a few months.

is in almost as close touch with the people as the House of Representatives, and Senators are little more immune from popular pressure. The Court and Constitution, therefore, give America what the House of Lords gives Britain, an impartial delaying body, even if it is not a revising chamber. And it is possible, as has been shown by the operation of death and re-election to bring the Court into line with the popular will, which by that time has had some years to think things over.

## No Modification

I am therefore of the opinion that the President will not make the modification or abolition of either the court or constitution a major plank in his platform. He will appeal for re-election on his record and perhaps he may have found a way to circumvent the court decision before the campaign begins. At any rate he is undoubtedly strengthened by the common people, who, after all, make up the mass of the voters, and his chances of re-election are improved rather than hurt by the court decisions.

The line up now seems to be liberalism against conservatism. This is a healthy development. For too long—since the end of the Civil War, in fact—American politics have lacked reality because there was no essential difference between the two parties. The tariff at one time was quoted as an issue, but there was no real difference. Democrats wanted a lower tariff than Republicans, and that was all.

Neither party preached free trade or anticipated practising it if returned to power. The difference was simply that between the ins and outs.

## Cash In Two "Pans"?

To-day there is becoming clearly defined a difference between the conservative who wants no change in the economic structure of society and the liberal who includes everything from a mild libertarian of the British school to the Socialist and Communist.

It may be added that the American conservatives are far more opposed to change of any kind than the conservatives of Great Britain, while perhaps because of this the so-called Radicals are far more radical. There is nothing to be gained, however, and much to be lost by a clearer definition of the political issues and the realignment of thinking men under the new banners.

THE HONG KONG  
SINGERSComing Production Of  
"The Messiah"

## MUSICAL TREAT PROMISED

The Hong Kong Singers need no introduction to local audiences. For some time they have been giving regular programmes of worth-while music, which have always met with an enthusiastic response on the part of the music-loving public in the Colony.

Their next public appearance, to take place on Wednesday next at St. John's Cathedral, will be no less enthusiastically welcomed, for they are doing a great choral work which has been a favourite with singers and audiences for many years now all over the world.

The chorus, now about 100 strong, will present Handel's "Messiah" to the accompaniment of Mr. Lindsay A. Lafford on the Cathedral organ and a string orchestra led by Mr. H. E. B. Mr. J. Anderson Miller will conduct and the soloists will be Mrs. Anderson Miller (Soprano), Mrs. Helen Lockhart (Contralto), Mr. W. Phelps (Tenor) and the Rev. H. W. Baines (Baritone).

The chorus is fortunate in its conductor, who knows exactly what he wants and has no hesitation in demanding it from his material. Each practice reveals that Mr. Anderson Miller is more successfully "baking" his singers into shape, and the standard of interpretation and production is high, judged from any criterion. Such intricate choruses as "His yoke is easy" and "Let us break their bonds asunder" provide an excellent test for judging the capabilities of choral workers, and it is not an exaggeration to say the Hong Kong Singers quit themselves remarkably well in these and other difficult portions of the Oratorio.

His Excellency the Governor will be present at next Wednesday's recital and at the suggestion of Lady Southern, O.B.E., the proceeds to be taken by a collection will be devoted to the Hong Kong Benevolent Society and the Street Sweepers' Society, in the proportion of 75 and 25 per cent. respectively.

BANDIT PREFERRED  
CIGARSCash Register Contents  
Not Wanted

Vancouver—Walking into a Vancouver hotel, an armed bandit commanded the desk clerk to hand over the contents of the cash register.

After looking at the pile of money, he shook his head and demanded cigars and a cigar. Cautiously lighting the cigar and thrusting the cigarettes into his pocket, he walked out with the remark: "Thanks very much. I'll come back and pay for these 'smokes' sometime."

## RADIO

## TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.'s).

Dance Orchestra of German Cruise "Karlsruhe" from Studio

12.30-1.15 p.m.—European Programme

1.15 p.m.—Recorded Music

1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report

1.15 p.m.—Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra

1.30 p.m.—Dance from Bohemia, Rhapsody from the East

2.15 p.m.—Close Down

4.15 p.m.—Children's Programme

6.45 p.m.—Children's Studio Concert

7.15 p.m.—European Programme

7.30 p.m.—A Relay from Daventry

"My Valentine": A sentimental programme for St. Valentine's Day, devised by W. L. Hauchant and John Pudney.

7.50 p.m.—From the Studio

Victrol and Phonograph Recital by Kismet, Fitzgerald and Lilian Quinn

Programme

1. Violin Solo: Monti

2. Piano Solo: Chopin

3. Violin Solo: Schumann

4. Piano Solo: Liszt

5. Violin Solo: D'Ambrosio

6. Piano Solo: Chopin

7. Violin Solo: Schumann

8. Piano Solo: Liszt

9. Violin Solo: D'Ambrosio

10. Piano Solo: Chopin

11. Violin Solo: Schumann

12. Piano Solo: Liszt

13. Violin Solo: D'Ambrosio

14. Piano Solo: Chopin

15. Violin Solo: Schumann

16. Piano Solo: Liszt

17. Violin Solo: D'Ambrosio

18. Piano Solo: Chopin

19. Violin Solo: Schumann

20. Piano Solo: Liszt

21. Violin Solo: D'Ambrosio

22. Piano Solo: Chopin

23. Violin Solo: Schumann

24. Piano Solo: Liszt

25. Violin Solo: D'Ambrosio

26. Piano Solo: Chopin

27. Violin Solo: Schumann

28. Piano Solo: Liszt

29. Violin Solo: D'Ambrosio

30. Piano Solo: Chopin

31. Violin Solo: Schumann

32. Piano Solo: Liszt

33. Violin Solo: D'Ambrosio

34. Piano Solo: Chopin

35. Violin Solo: Schumann

36. Piano Solo: Liszt

37. Violin Solo: D'Ambrosio

38. Piano Solo: Chopin

39. Violin Solo: Schumann

40. Piano Solo: Liszt

41. Violin Solo: D'Ambrosio

42. Piano Solo: Chopin

43. Violin Solo: Schumann

44. Piano Solo: Liszt

45. Violin Solo: D'Ambrosio

46. Piano Solo: Chopin

47. Violin Solo: Schumann

48. Piano Solo: Liszt

49. Violin Solo: D'Ambrosio

50. Piano Solo: Chopin

51. Violin Solo: Schumann

52. Piano Solo: Liszt

53. Violin Solo: D'Ambrosio

54. Piano Solo: Chopin

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57. Violin Solo: D'Ambrosio

58. Piano Solo: Chopin

59. Violin Solo: Schumann

60. Piano Solo: Liszt

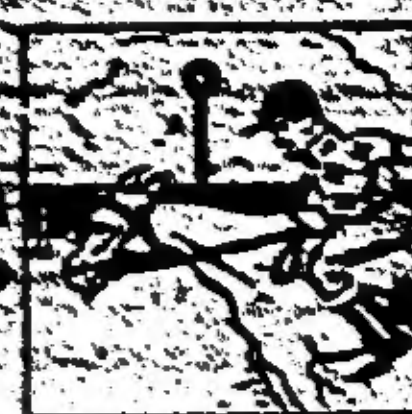
ARTIST TURNS  
HINDULondon Girl's  
Conversion

Isbore—Miss Mary Oldfield, a young London artist, has been converted to the Hindu religion.





# Sporting Page



## "REGULAR'S" FINEST MILITARY FOOTBALL TEAM IN 25 YEARS



Tam Keng-pak, above, is being sadly missed in the South China "A" defence and also by a large section of the soccer public, who are always delighted with this player's performances.

### NO UPSETS EXPECTED TO-MORROW

#### Leaders Should Win Easily

#### NAVY JUNIORS NOW AT THEIR BEST

It is curious to note that all the teams in the bottom half of the Second Division League soccer table are at home to those in the top half, and, judging on form, there does not seem any possibility of upsets.

The East Lancs., who are now at the top of the table, will meet Kowloon, and as the former will probably be fielding their best team in preparation for their Shield encounter next Saturday against Eastern, the Kowloon team, especially their defence, will probably be given a very strenuous time.

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### 12TH BTY. R.A. WIN SMALL UNITS LEAGUE MATCH

#### Medicals Fail To Utilise Openings

#### GOLDSMITH IN DEADLY SHOOTING MOOD

The failure of the Medical forwards to make use of the chances presented them in the first half and the splendid display of goal-keeping by Jeffries were the factors which contributed to their defeat by the 12th Battery, Royal Artillery, by the odd goal in five in their Small Units League soccer encounter.

The Medicals were without Castells, Lowe and Withwell, their regular players, but Yond, Westgood and Stanton played well in their places.

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### SAINTS THIRD DIVISION SOCCER TEAM

The following will represent St. Joseph's in their Third Division League soccer game to-morrow against the Police, on St. Joseph's ground: — Bucks; Delgado and Sprinkle; Wilkinson, Castro and Bunnah; Alwai, Rocha, Gottsche, Joannilho and Thirwell.



Edmund, above, the Sporting League forward, will be fully expected against the Kowloon defence to-morrow.

### RIFLES FAVOURED TO DEFEAT CLUB

#### ROBERTSON REPLACES RAILTON AS HALF

#### EXCITING CLASH ANTICIPATED

(By "Rover")

FOLLOWING their triumph over South China "B" last Sunday by the odd goal in five, the Rifles are expected to beat the Club to-morrow in their First Division League encounter on the Valley ground, commencing at 4.15 p.m.

The Club have made one change from the team which overwhelmed the Navy almost a month ago, L. G. Robertson replacing Railton, at right-half, while the latter will again be seen out for the Club juniors.

Although the Rifles won convincingly last week, their task to-morrow will be all the more difficult in view of the Club's brilliant form against the sailors, when they won by the big margin of 6 goals to 1.

Since Farrow has played as the Club pivot the defence has undergone a remarkable change, and with two sterling supporters in Robertson, on his right, and Skinner, on his left, the Rifles will discover that the openings which were so bountiful against South China "B" will not be so plentiful.

Rodger, Hill and Strange make a fine defensive trio and can be relied on to keep their end up, and the result of the game will rest upon the performances of the Club forwards.

Fowler's form this season has been disappointing and, although he has displayed patches of brilliance, his form on the whole has not come anywhere near that of last year.

#### Dangerous Forwards

Hartigan and Erwin, the Rifles' left-wing partnership, are a very dangerous pair and Robertson and Hill, the Club right-half and back, will have their hands full, while Doherty, probably their best sharpshooter, will have the attention of Farrow and Strange.

On their present form, the Rifles are expected to scrape home the winners, although the Club, playing at home, may cause an upset.

### BATTERIES IN SMALL UNITS LEAGUE MATCH

#### POOR SOCCER AT THE VALLEY

#### DURHAM LEAVES GOAL FOR LEADER'S BERTH

An even, but not very interesting, soccer game was seen on the St. Joseph's ground, Happy Valley, yesterday when the 7th and 24th Batteries, Royal Artillery, met in their Army Small Units Football League tie and shared two goals.

Rivers, seen in a new position on the left-wing, was the outstanding player for the 7th Battery, sending over some well-placed centres.

Another player in the team who was very prominent in the early stages of the game was Howe, in the pivotal position. He kept his forwards on the move with splendid passes, but, unfortunately, had to leave the field for a while in the second half as the result of landing on the back of his head after a collision with an opponent. He returned to the field after 10 minutes, but was never the same again.

#### Durham As Leader

Durham, who has now apparently given up goal-keeping, distributed the ball well as a centre-forward, but his finishing was very poor.

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A. S. (Bobby) Bliss, above, will be entrusted with keeping out the Lyceum forwards in to-morrow's Senior Division soccer clash.

### ROVER'S FORECAST

#### TO-MORROW

FIRST DIVISION  
S. CHINA "A" v South China "B" (Caroline Hill, 4.15 p.m.)  
Club v RIFLES (Club, 4.15 p.m.)

KOWLOON v Lyceum (Kowloon, 4.15 p.m.)  
ST. JOSEPH'S v Recreo (Causeway Bay, 4.15 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION  
University v FUSILIERS (Navy, Happy Valley, 2.45 p.m.)  
Recreo v NAVY (King's Park, 2.45 p.m.)

RADIO v SOUTH CHINA (Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)  
Club v ENGINEERS (Club, 2.45 p.m.)

KOWLOON v EAST LANCES (Kowloon, 2.45 p.m.)  
THIRD DIVISION  
Medicals v LIGA PT. GUESA (Military, H. V., 2.45 p.m.)

C. POLICE v Engineers (Navy, H. V., 2.45 p.m.)  
St. Joseph's v E. POLICE (St. Joseph's, 2.45 p.m.)

Air Force v FUSILIERS (Railway, 2.45 p.m.)  
Railway v EAST LANCES (Railway, 2.45 p.m.)

#### SUNDAY

FIRST DIVISION  
ATHLETIC v Fusiliers (Caroline Hill, 4.15 p.m.)  
NAVY v East Lancs. (Causeway Bay, 4.15 p.m.)

POLICE v Stonecutters (Kowloon, 4.15 p.m.)  
SECOND DIVISION  
EASTERN v Athletic (Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)

R.A.O.C. v Rifles (Chatham Road, 4.15 p.m.)  
GOOD SOCCER CARD FOR SUNDAY

### Three Senior Games Down For Decision

The Chinese Athletic and the Fusiliers, who have both provided major upsets recently in the Senior Division of the Football League, will be featured in what will probably be the best game on Sunday's card.

Another senior clash which will provide a good afternoon's sport will be that between the Navy, who trounced the Saints last week by 6 goals to 2, and the East Lancs.

In the third senior game, the Police should experience no difficulty in taking both points off Stonecutters.

In the Second Division the Combined Corps should beat the Rifles, while Eastern are favoured against the Athletic.

### ANSWER TO OTHER "BEST" TEAMS

#### EATON'S DISTINCTION: THE FINEST EVER!

#### BARBER'S UNFORTUNATE CLASH

(TO THE EDITOR, "CHINA MAIL")

SIR, The various football teams suggested by ardent football fans and published in the valuable columns of your respected journal, has led me, an old Regular, to forward to you a team comprised entirely of men from the Regiments and units stationed in the Colony over a period extending for 25 years.

I notice in several of the teams published to date, excepting "Unomee's" that the players suggested have just been put down on paper without reasons for their selection.

I should like to start off by working from the goal upwards, and will commence by suggesting that Beasley, of the Royal Artillery team of the 1910-11-12 seasons, was easily the outstanding custodian from all military teams. He had an excellent understanding in Comber, of the Gunners, who played a season ago, although Rowlands, of the Fusiliers, is also an "also-ran." Beasley, I might add, went home straight into a Third Division League team!

### ST. JOSEPH'S AND RECREIO MAKE MANY CHANGES

#### Costa Returns To Saints' Defence

#### A. V. GOSANO AS RECREIO'S CENTRE-HALF

A very good soccer game in the First Division should be witnessed on the Naval ground at Causeway Bay to-morrow when the Saints entertain Recreo, and, following their display against each in the Senior Shield, the Saints should just about win.

V. Costa, who has been on the sick list, will make a reappearance at right-back for the Saints while Sinclair will again be seen in the pivotal position, supported on the right and left flanks by Wood and Elms respectively.

"Daride" Lee having departed from the Colony, Victor will again be on the right-wing with Ward playing inside to him, while Husain has been reinstated at inside-left in support of Fernandes.

#### Recreio Changes

Recreio are making several changes in their team, A. V. Gosano returning to centre-half and Delgado appearing at right-half, his usual position, after a fairly long absence from the game. E. Silva will be seen at right-back.

The teams are fairly well matched except in attack, where the Saints are slightly superior having more experienced players in this department. On the whole a good game should result.

#### NEW PLAYERS FOR TOVIL

Tovil, the Kent Amateur League club, have signed A. Spicer, the former Maidstone United defender, and A. Heath, the Sheppey United forward.



Tong Kwan, above, may be called on to play for either South China "A" or "B" teams to-morrow in their Senior Division "Derby" clash at Caroline Hill.

### SOUTH CHINA TEAMS IN SENIOR SOCCER "DERBY"

#### Fung King Cheong And Ip Pak Wa Doubtful

#### LEUNG IN-CHAN STILL ON INJURED LIST

Although South China "A" and South China "B" usually provide a fairly good standard of soccer, their Senior Division clash to-morrow at Caroline Hill should result in a comfortable win for the former team.

South China "B" have been hard hit by injuries sustained in recent matches, and Leung In-chan, their right-back, and the mainstay of their defence, is still a doubtful starter.

South China "A" are not certain whether their players, from Canton will be available and will not select their team until to-morrow afternoon, just before the match.

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### LYEMUN MAY BEAT KOWLOON

#### Improved Displays Augur Well

#### MAINLAND TEAM'S FINE TRIO OF HALVES

Kowloon will have their hands full this week-end when they entertain Lyemun in their First Division League soccer encounter, and the recent improvement displayed by both sides augurs well for an exciting clash.

Lyemun very nearly caused an upset in their last League encounter when they just lost to South China "A" by the odd goal in three, and to-morrow they should at least penetrate the Kowloon defence twice.

#### Wily Kowloon Attack

Edmunds, probably the mainstay of the Gunners' side, will have to be at his best and the wily Kowloon attack may prove just a little too much for his liking.

Kemp, Bliss and Boyd are a sound trio of halves, and the Gunner wingers will not find things so easy for them.



A. V. Gosano, above, returns to the Recreo team, having moved up to the centre-half position after to-morrow's senior encounter against the Saints.

### Singleton Heads League Marksmen

The following is a complete list of goal-scorers in the First, Second and Third Divisions of the local Soccer League, with a qualifying figure of six goals:

FIRST DIVISION	
Higgins (Lincoln)	14
Lee Wei-tung (S. China "A")	14
Johnson (Police)	14
Elliot (Club)	11
Samford (East Lancs)	11
Stevens (Police)	11
Moss (Police)	11
Buller (Fusiliers)	11
Fung King-cheung (S. China "A")	11
Ip Pak-wa (S. China "A")	11
Baldry (Lincoln)	11
D. Kane (Kowloon)	11
Edley (Lincoln)	11
Rocha (Lyceum)	11
Barrow (Club)	11
G. White (Kowloon)	11
B. Gosano (Recreio)	11

SECOND DIVISION	
Bumster (Fusiliers)	12
Wilde (Navy)	12
Chan Tak-fai (South China)	12
Clarke (R.A.O.C. & R.A.S.C.)	12
Dubbed (R.A.O.C. & R.A.S.C.)	12
Spencer (Navy)	12
Evans (Fusiliers)	12
Howlett (Engineers)	12
Horne (East Lancs)	12
Darby (Engineers)	12
Crosby (Fusiliers)	12
Cookley (Fusiliers)	12
A. M. Omer (Radio)	12
Bowker (East Lancs)	12
Turner (Lincoln)	12

THIRD DIVISION	
Singleton (Fusiliers)	21
C. Santos (Liga)	16
Pym (Medicals)	13
Tadler (Fusiliers)	12
Lowndes (St. Joseph's)	11
W. Brown (Recreio & Police)	11
Rush (Lincoln)	11
Crooks (East Lancs)	11
H. Santos (Liga)	11
Murray (Air Force)	11
Kong King (Chinese Police)	11
Chan Wing-tsun (Chinese Police)	11
Farber (Engineers)	11
Toni (Medicals)	11
Gregory (Air Force)	11

### ANGLO-GERMANY ICE-HOCKEY TIE DECLARED DRAW

Garmisch-Partenkirchen, yesterday, probably the last match between Germany and England, which resulted in a tie of one goal each on Wednesday, will not be replayed, but declared a draw, with each team being awarded the same number of points.

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## 12TH BTY. R.A. WIN SMALL UNITS LEAGUE MATCH

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The outstanding player for the Battery in the first half was Jeffries, in goal. He brought off many saves and on three occasions saved almost certain goals from Pym and Snooks.

### Goldsmith Conspicuous

Goldsmith, of the Gunners, was very conspicuous in the second half and both his two goals were the result of following up. He never permitted Howells to hold on to the ball, but tackled at once. His cross-shot which beat Wright was well placed.

The other forwards were full of dash, though Freer was slow with his centring. Longworth and the two Taylors were always up with the ball.

In the Gunners' defence Boyle, Garrett and Haldane worked hard to stem the endeavours of Pym and Flint.

### Fast Medical Wingers

The Medical wingers, Smith and Snooks, were fast, but the former was greatly handicapped by not being able to use his left foot. Pym was the live-wire of their attack and with Flint and Wilson kept the Battery on the defence for the greater part of the first half. They were also very prominent in the closing stages, and Pym's goal was the best of the match.

The Battery scored their first goal through Longworth from close range following a break-away, but Young equalised before half time from a penalty.

In the second half, Goldsmith, on the Battery's right-wing, scored, and soon after increased this lead.

Pym reduced the Medicals' arrears with a good shot and soon after just skimmed the bar with

## NO UPSETS EXPECTED TO-MORROW

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The East East Lanes have a wealth of talent at their disposal. Jones, who has not figured much in local football, made a good debut in the senior team last week, scoring four goals, and he may be again included in the team.

### Kowloon Must Watch These

Ball, Ekersley and Wallden are all players of a high standard and this trio should provide most of the danger to Kowloon.

Kowloon, in spite of their many defeats, have several good players in Winch, Humphreys, Fuxman and Tillery.

The Fusiliers, who are gradually losing their grip on the championship, will encounter the University and, in spite of the hard work of Lim and Blake in the latter team, Bumster and Cresty should be able to secure several goals.

### Radio Weakened

The Radio have suffered another setback in that Hassan will be an absentee, and Kitchell is a doubtful starter owing to injuries. Consequently they may not be able to extend South China. The latter team has also been badly hit, several of their players having been called upon to fill vacancies in the senior teams owing to injuries.

The form displayed by Spencer, Wright and Gould last week should enable the Navy to defeat Recreation with ease. The latter will have Fernandez in goal, while H. Campos their star forward may be required for the senior team.

## RECREIO "B" BEATEN

### KOWLOON TONG RECORD WIN

#### BADMINTON LEAGUE

Two surprises were featured in the Men's Doubles—Badminton League last night, when Kowloon Tong recorded their first win this season by beating St. Andrew's "B" team by 5 games to 4 at Kowloon Tong, and when St. John's Club defeated Recreation "B" by 6 games to 3 at St. John's Cathedral Hall.

St. John's played up splendidly last night, and had it not been for their first string, H. A. Barros and A. E. Xavier, Recreation would have been completely overwhelmed.

Kowloon Tong introduced a new player last night in Mr. Peter H. Sin, the well-known local solicitor, who partnered B. K. Wong.

Detailed results of the two games were as follows:—

#### St. John's Win

At the St. John's Cathedral Hall last night, the St. John's Club defeated Recreation "B" by 6 sets to 3:—

F. H. Kwok and L. V. Catt (St. John's) .. 15-21

lost to H. A. Barros and A. E. Xavier .. 15-21

beat F. J. Remedios and A. J. Basto .. 21-14

beat P. N. Silva and E. A. Alves .. 21-7

Roland Koh and Norman Smith (St. John's) .. 8-21

lost to Barros and Xavier .. 8-21

beat Remedios and Basto .. 21-17

beat Silva and Alves .. 21-17

J. Bennett and David Kwok (St. John's) .. 13-21

lost to Barros and Xavier .. 13-21

beat Remedios and Basto .. 24-21

beat Silva and Alves .. 21-16

#### Saints Defeated

At Kowloon Tong last night, the Kowloon Tong Club defeated the St. Andrew's "B" by 5 sets to 4:—

P. C. Leung and J. M. Pong (Kowloon Tong) .. 21-15

beat M. Wall and A. S. Bliss .. 21-15

beat S. A. Broadbridge and N. MacKay .. 21-19

beat J. Dawson and L. Kirby .. 21-17

S. A. Gray and G. A. White (Kowloon Tong) .. 21-15

beat Wall and Bliss .. 21-15

beat Broadbridge and MacKay .. 21-10

lost to Dawson and Kirby .. 19-21

B. K. Wong and Peter Sin (Kowloon Tong) .. 7-21

lost to Wall and Bliss .. 7-21

lost to Broadbridge and MacKay .. 20-23

lost to Dawson and Kirby .. 4-21

#### LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
C. B. C.	11	9	2	74	25	18
Recreation "A"	8	8	0	61	11	16
Elliot Hall "B"	10	8	2	60	21	16
St. Andrew's "A"	10	8	2	63	27	16
Recreation "B"	11	8	3	65	34	16
St. John's	14	7	7	60	66	14
Elliot Hall "A"	6	6	0	41	13	12
Fire Brigade	12	5	7	41	64	10
V. B. C.	12	4	8	46	62	8
Tai Koo R.C.	7	2	5	19	85	4
St. Andrew's "B"	12	2	10	30	78	4
S. and S. Home	9	0	9	20	61	0
Kowloon Tong	12	1	11	30	78	2

## LOCAL BILLIARDS

### Sydney Chan Loses To Sequeira

At the Club Lusitano last night, L. T. Yung defeated R. Evans by 300 points to 236 in the Junior Billiards Championship. Yung chalked up a 22, which was the highest in the match.

The most interesting match, however, was played at the Engineers' Institute, where Sydney Chan was beaten by F. P. Sequeira by 300 points to 203. Chan made a plucky effort, but proved no match for Sequeira, although he chalked up a 34, the highest in the game.

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## NAVY TO MEET THE PRESS

### Sunday's Cricket Match

The following will represent the Royal Navy in a friendly cricket match against the Hong Kong Press at King's Park on Sunday, commencing at 1.30 p.m. sharp:—  
Comdr. Hayter, Pay. Comdr. Hargreaves, Lt. Branwell, Lt. Harper, Lt. Bartley, Lt. Cdr. Barby, Lt. Wraith, "Stoker" A. T. Lay, "A.R." J. Bathurst, Tel. Tufnell, "Marine" H. Goodwin.  
Scorer: P. G. Hyde Lay.



Here Welles Cochran, left, world three-cushion billiards champion, and Willie Hoppe, challenger, pose as friends, but all their regard for each other will be forgotten as they battle for Welles' crown at Chicago in a 350-point match.

## BATTERIES IN SMALL UNITS LEAGUE MATCH

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Adams, of the 7th Battery, displayed good ball control and worked hard, but his tendency to hold on to the ball, even after he had drawn an opponent, nullified his efforts.

Bayer and Findlay combined well and were the source of most anxiety to the opposing defence.

The 24th Battery opened the scoring through Halladay, who beat MacKrell with a fine shot, but Latham equalised for the 7th Battery with a fine cross shot from the wing, which had Carter well beaten.

7th Battery R. A.—MacKrell, Corbin and Martin, Winstanley, Howe and Bell, Latham, Coughlin, Dunham, Bedford and Rivers.  
24th Battery R. A.—Carter, Freeman and Littlemore, Jones, Forsyth and Whithers, Bayer, Findlay, Adams, Halladay and Banning.

## ANSWER TO OTHER "BEST" TEAMS

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The right-wing goes to Charlesworth, of the East Surrey's, while Eaton, of the same Regiment, was without any shadow of a doubt, the finest inside-forward the Colony had ever witnessed. A mastermind in attack, he would have made any Second Division team at Home had he attempted to break into English soccer. His shooting was as good as a rifle shot and above all his headwork was also a pleasure to behold.

Greene, or "Dodger" Greene, of the Royal Artillery, is my centre-forward, and a better schemer is seldom seen in present day soccer in China. As far as I can see, his only equal, but not better, is Lee Wai-tong, the present Chinese leader!

The inside-left position is secured by Dick Ridley, of the Lincolns, while Talbot of the Fusiliers, runs him a close second. The wing-birth I would give to Lt. Hocquard, of the Lincolns, or Baldry, of the same regiment.

I think that the above players, together with a right-half yet to be named, would have beaten the majority of teams in South China with comparative ease and would, without much doubt, be better than any "home" Interport side. Thanking you for your valuable space, I enclose my card.

#### "REGULAR"

#### NEW FOOTBALL SECRETARY.

Mr. Harold Wightman, who for four and a half years was secretary-manager of Luton F.C., has been appointed to a similar position with Mansfield Town. He has been assistant to Mr. G. Jobey at Derby County for the last 18 months, and at one time was assistant manager and coach to Notts County.

## "CONDEMNED MAN" MADE TO FIGHT NEGRO PAYS TRIBUTE TO "GAMEST GUY"

### FARMER'S RE-AWAKENING

Chicago, January 18.

JOE LOUIS duly "executed" the lantern-jawed German-American, Charlie Retzlaff, in the first round of their encounter at the Chicago Stadium here last night. The "condemned man," as Retzlaff had been referred to before the fight, lasted 85 seconds, but he was a courageous foe.

At the opening bell he walked fearlessly into Louis, landed on the "Bomber's" chin and drove him on to the ropes. The crowd were in an uproar at the Dakota farm hand's courage.

Louis sneered, but decided to take no chances. He tore into his man with a devastating attack, crashing home blow after blow to the head and body. One terrific left hook to the chin put the 6ft. 3in. Retzlaff on the floor with a thud for a count of seven.

Retzlaff got up rather dazed. Louis was after him again like a tiger. He drove him on to the ropes. Retzlaff tried to break and make a fight of it, but could make no impression on the fast-moving negro.

A heavy barrage of lefts and rights to the head and Retzlaff was hanging on the ropes. He dropped to the boards, where he lay until the count of nine. Retzlaff made an effort to rise but sank back.

#### The "Awakening"

The 16,000 spectators screamed and cheered. Retzlaff was so dazed that he did not know the fight was over until he had been counted out. On being helped to his corner, his mind cleared.

He then flew into a temper, and with a belligerent look on his face, dashed over to Louis's corner. His seconds grabbed him of him, but not before he had hit Louis on the back.

Louis was not even mildly excited at his victory. "He walked right into me and got it," he said. "He is the gamest guy I have met since Carnera."

#### Did Not Hurt

Louis added that Retzlaff's right to the chin did not hurt him. He stepped inside it.

The question now is whether Retzlaff will get his share of the purse.

Earlier in the day Mr. Joseph Triner, chairman of the Illinois Commission, sent the following ultimatum to Retzlaff: "Fight—or no money."

Mr. Triner declared that he would not tolerate a recurrence of the pitiful one-round showing of King Levinsky against Louis last August. If he thought Retzlaff was not trying he would hold up the purse.

The gate receipts amounted to \$144,668.—Reuter.



## SOUTH CHINA TEAMS IN SENIOR SOCCER "DERBY"

### "Y" And C.B.A. Ladies Share Two Goals

A very scrappy Brawn Cup hockey match was witnessed at King's Park yesterday evening when the "Y" Ladies and the Central British Association Ladies shared two goals in a game marred by the absence of capable umpires and by an abundance of minor infringements.

The "Y" were the aggressors in the opening half and scored through Miss Violet Bradbury, their skipper, and the second half saw the C.B.A. equalise through Miss E. Woolley.

#### STAFF BEAT PUPILS

The Staff and Pupils of the Central British School met in a friendly hockey match at King's Park yesterday which ended in a win for the former by six goals to nil. The scorers for the Staff, who obtained three goals in each half, were Morse (3), McEllen (2) and Miss W. Marsh.

## LONDON GOLFER'S SUCCESS IN SOUTH AFRICA

### J. G. Ockenden's Triumph In Western Province Tourney

Capetown, January 14.  
J. G. Ockenden, son of the well-known London golfer, has won the Western Province golf professionals' championship, at Wynberg, with a total of 151 for 36 holes.

Ockenden is assistant professional to the Royal Cape Club. He came out here last year from England.



## McAVOY'S WORLD TITLE FIGHT SANCTIONED

### N.Y.S.A.C. Give Their Consent

#### CLASH WITH LEWIS THIS MONTH?

New York, January 11.  
The New York State Athletic Commission have sanctioned a contest between Jack McAvoy, the British middle-weight champion, and the Negro, John Henry Lewis, for the latter's world cruiser-weight title.

McAvoy's manager stated that he was meeting the Madison-square Garden officials on Tuesday to decide on the date of the fight, which he thought would be held in February at the Madison-square Garden.

Lewis gained a knock-out win over Tiger Jack Fox in the third round of a 10-round fight in Washington last night.

## SOUTH CHINA TEAMS IN SENIOR SOCCER "DERBY"

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### Fung And Ip Doubtful

Fung King-cheung, their inside-right, and Ip Pak-wa, their inside-left, are very doubtful starters.

The "A" team have so far exceeded all expectations by winning all their 11 games played to date, almost half their League fixtures, and if they continue in their present vein it very much looks as if they will shatter all League records.

South China "B" stand a very good chance of securing the runners-up position, providing they win their remaining fixtures.

#### TO-DAY'S HOCKEY

The following players will represent the Hong Kong Hockey Club seconds against the Punjab Regiment this afternoon, on the Marina, starting at 3 p.m.:—  
Van der Waal, E. E. D., Lane and L. F. Nicholson, A. Tate, G. Dale and J. Rodger, A. A. E. Retzlaff, N. A. E. Mackay, C. E. E. Divett, L. Pracht and A. J. Bennett.



The latest "white hope" is Tommy Osborne (above), a Canadian, whose remarkable record as an amateur in winning the Irish-American A.A. heavy-weight title, the province of Quebec title four times and the Canadian championship twice, has drawn much attention.

## NEW TRIALS FOR HOCKEY INTERPORT

### MARCH 7 AND 8 FIXED

#### INTERNATIONAL TOURNEY DATES AND DRAW

The date for the Hong Kong and Macao Interport Hockey match was officially fixed for March 7 and 8 at a meeting of the Council of the Hong Kong Hockey Association held last night at the St. Andrew's Church Hall and presided over by Mr. A. A. Dand, Chairman.

Among those present were Mr. F. A. Kemp, Hon. Secretary Mr. G. T. Palmer, Hon. Secretary of the Hockey Umpires' Board, Lieut. J. P. Williams, representing the Hong Kong Area Sports Board, Lt. A. Davies, representing the Navy, Mr. A. E. P. Guest (Radio), Mr. E. Hussain (K.I.T.C.), Mr. A. M. Xavier (Recreation), Mr. G. Sommer (Club), Sub-Inspr. Tyler (Police), and others.

The Queen's College Hockey Club and the Union Sports Club made applications for affiliation and both were granted.

#### New Trials

After a short discussion it was decided that since the original Interport fixture was cancelled, the original 15 players selected for the Interport and Civilian teams would also be cancelled and new trials would be held.

Mr. Dand said it was up to the Association to field the best possible side and there were many players who are now available, and it was up to them to see that they were given a trial.

#### International Tourney

The dates for the International Tournament were fixed for March 22 (First Round), March 17 (Second Round) and March 29 (Final Round).

The following were selected to represent the eight competing nations:—England (Lieut. J. P. Williams); Scotland (Mr. C. Angus); Ireland (Lieut. Ervine-Andrews); Wales (Capt. L. L. Gwydyr-Jones); Portugal (Mr. A. M. Xavier); Germany (Mr. G. Sommer); China (Mr. P. C. Tang); and India (Mr. K. Hussain). Mr. Sommer, speaking on behalf of the Deutscher Klub, said he would attempt to revive a German team.

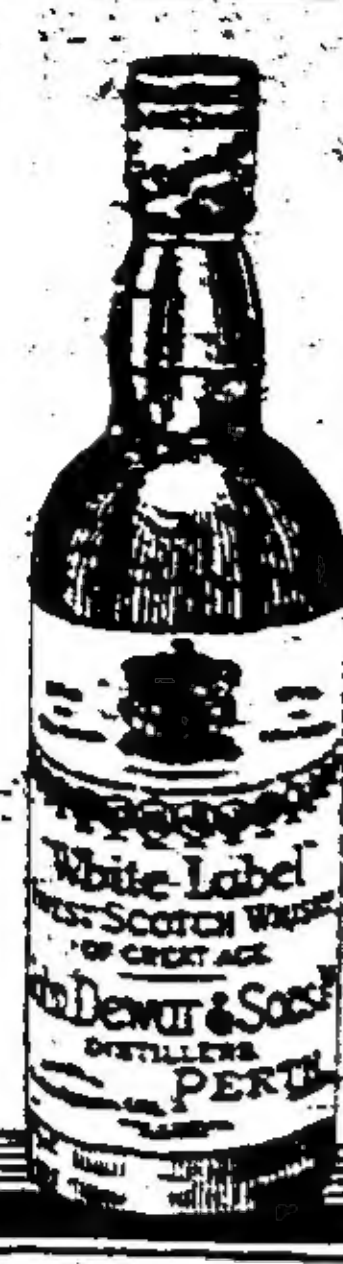
#### The Draw

The following was the draw:—  
Germany vs. Scotland  
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Wales vs. Portugal  
China vs. India  
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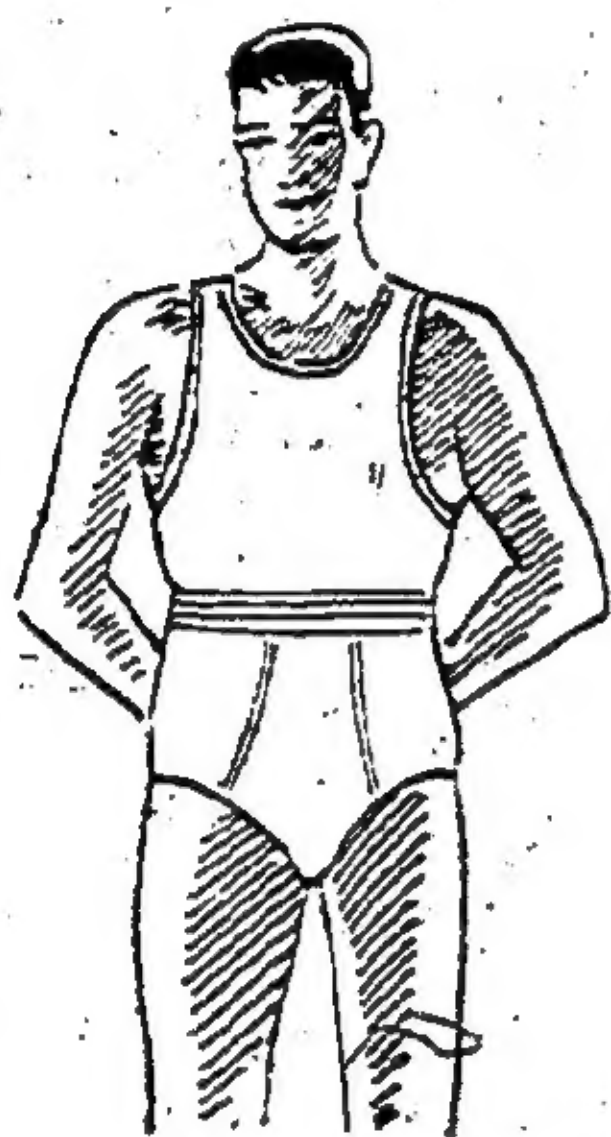
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## Striking Progress In Britain's Trade

Clear proof of the steady and progressive recovery of British industries is given by the figures of overseas trade for 1935. In the previous year there was a substantial improvement, for the total exports (including re-exports) of 1934 were £30,000,000 above those of 1933. This great increase was surpassed in 1935 by a further rise of almost £34,000,000. It may be remarked that at each successive stage in recovery a new advance is more significant and valuable. Our trade has not had so good a year since 1930. Before the steep decline began. Through every month there was an upward movement, and it became most marked at the close. Improvement extended over all the 20 staple manufacturing industries with one small exception. Machinery and vehicles took the lead. Iron and steel and the non-ferrous metals and electrical goods and woollen textiles came next. There was a very welcome recovery of a million in cotton exports. Coal exports diminished by nearly £300,000. Italy's coal purchases being less by about 1,500,000 tons. Imports did not increase to the same extent as exports. They were only up by £25,500,000. Approximately half this total is accounted for by food and drink and raw materials, and is thus the result of greater prosperity and of enlarged industrial activity. The remarkable expansion of imports in the last month of the year, largely consisting of raw materials, was an encouraging omen for 1936, showing that British manufacturers have solid reasons for confidence in the future. A large part of the expansion of exports was the result of more buying by the Dominions and other States of the Empire. It is clear that inter-imperial trade is steadily developing and likely to justify and induce still closer commercial relations. On the year the balance of imports over exports is £275,749,000. This is some £8,000,000 less than last year. The invisible exports, which are provided by payment for shipping services and returns on investments abroad, will certainly have been higher than in 1934, so that there is no fear of an adverse balance.

### James Watt

We are not done with steam power yet, whatever the future may discover, and it is a pious duty to honour the bi-centenary of James Watt. His spiritual heirs and assigns, the members of the Institute of Mechanical Engineers, paid tribute recently to his memory in the Abbey where he has his deserved monument. The exhibition of working models of his inventions at the Science Museum and his garret workshop should draw many a pilgrim from our younger generation, whose minds, so they tell us, are intensively devoted to machinery.

The sophisticated boy of to-day may scoff at some of the tales which delighted a more innocent generation, and, in particular at the story of James Watt contemplating the steam from his mother's teakettle and resolving to make it work. But the modern boy should be interested in the fact that Watt found the steam engine weak and wasteful and made it efficient. Though few of the sons of men have found out so many inventions, that is his sure title to a place in history. He was the Moses who led industry into the promised land of machine production. When Boswell called at the factory where Watt's partner, Boulton, built his steam engines, "I tell you, sir," said Boulton, "what every man desires to have—power." None of the ages of men could buy power in this form till Watt was born.

## Here There and Everywhere.

### LORD DE CLIFFORD TRIAL ECHO

An unexpected repercussion of Lord de Clifford's trial was mentioned in London recently.

Mr. Cochran was holding a dress parade for his new revue "Follow the Sun," later produced at Manchester. One of the scenes shows Hyde Park under snow in "Dickens" time, as in a Cruikshank drawing. The men wear tall felt hats.

At the last minute the costume came up to Mr. Cochran in agitation, saying that the hat-makers regretted not having the hats ready in time.

They had had another "rush job" put on them—providing the cocked hats for the peers to wear at the trial in the House of Lords.

### WELLS CHANGES HIS MIND

Mr. Wells left London recently for Hollywood.

He will make no Hollywood contracts. He is already committed to Mr. Korda, who will produce in addition to "The Shape of Things to Come" and "The Man Who Worked Miracles." Mr. Wells's recently finished film version of "The Food of the Gods."

Mr. Wells took a manuscript with him in his despatch-case. In spite of his statement that in future he will write exclusively for the films, he has been working secretly for some months on one of the most ambitious ventures of his life.

Taking Butler's "Anatomy of Melancholy" as his model, he has produced a modern version under the title of "The Anatomy of Frustration." It is an analysis of the physical and mental reactions of man in relation to life. It will be published in the autumn.

## ST. JOHN BRIGADE

### Vaccinating Stations Opened

The vaccinating squads of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade have been re-organised, and, beginning from this evening, seven vaccinating stations, four on the island and three on the mainland, will be put into operation under the supervision of the Mong Kok Divisional Superintendent, Mr. Fan Shiu-nam.

The vaccinators will be on duty from 7 to 9 p.m. every night.

The following are the stations, with the names of the members:—

Station No. 1 (No. 122, Wellington Street):—Lau Tin-chee, Lo Chau-kwong, Yeung Kar-sing and Wong Shiu-pin.

Station No. 2 (At junction of Wellington Street and D'Aguiar Street):—Tam Tin-cheung, Chang Yuen-wing and Tong Yuk-man.

Station No. 3 (No. 203, Hollywood Road):—Kwok Yu-kam, Chan Pak-hing and Leung Kai-cheung.

Station No. 4 (No. 196, Queen's Road East):—Chu Pak-lam, Chiu Sze-sing, Chang Man-kam, Luk Kwok-foo, Yeung Yat and Ng Yin-sing.

Station No. 5 (No. 409, Shanghai Street):—Lo Yin-wah, Pang Man-tung, Pang Shiu-wah and So Wai-man.

Station No. 6 (No. 526, Shanghai Street):—Chan Ping-hang, Chan Sheung-chee, Wong Kin-wing and Chan Mow-ting.

Station No. 7 (Cook's Street, Hung Hom):—Wong Kam-fai and Wong Man-fai.

## EXPLANATION OF YESTERDAY'S CARTOON

### Devotion And Upheaval

IN 1870, Heinrich Zschokke's book entitled "Hours of Devotion," accidentally got into the hands of a Russian priest in Odessa, Russia. The result was the creation of a most widespread Russian religious sect, called "Stundist" from the word "Stunden" (Hours) contained in the German title of the book. 2,000,000 Russian peasant families abandoned their orthodox faith to join the new religion, opposing the worship of icons, saints and the sacraments.

The new sect of a Baptist-Evangelist tendency caused the Russian Government infinite trouble. The whole power and might of the Czar was set in motion to combat the new movement, but could not prevail against the strange power of a single book. Instead of declining, the new movement gained momentum, until, 65 years after its inception, there are from 7 to 10 million adherents of the Stundist sect in Russia to-day.

### SHIPYARD BAN PROTEST

Jarrow Town Council has prepared a petition to Parliament for signature by the inhabitants protesting against the 40 years' ban on ship-building at Palmers' yard, which has been declared redundant.

### Your Daily Smile!

"Jim called me a dream last night." "How funny! It was only last week he was telling me what awful dreams he had."

### POWL PAY

Chickens are reported have developed road-sense. It thus becomes increasingly difficult to make poultry pay.

### "Howlers"

"Bismuth was a great German statesman." "Darwin invented the theory of evolution."

"The Royal Mint is what the King puts on his new potatoes." "Two famous Scottish patriots are Robert Bruce and Edgar Wallace."

"The knight fell down an abyss that yawned in front of him."

### Why Did the Pews Laugh?

The late Canon Knox Little (touring in Ireland) began: "Dear Cork sons!"

A vicar in regatta week began: "What a joy it is to see the old Cowes faces again!"

Bishop Benson, with something like a growl, began, "We Barking Christians know."

## "DEAD HAND GRIP" ON U.S. REFORMS

### PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S PROGRAMME

### SUPREME COURT AS GUARDIAN OF THE CONSTITUTION

(By J. S. Steele)

THE dead hand has been stretched out in America and the Supreme Court, acting in strict accord with its interpretation of the Constitution, has destroyed President Roosevelt's whole plan for economic recovery and relief of distress. A year ago it destroyed the National Recovery Act, or N.R.A. Now it has torpedoed the A.A.A. (Agricultural Adjustment Act), and so pulled down the two main pillars of the Roosevelt structure.

With these go a number of minor acts of Congress, which if N.R.A. and A.A.A. are unconstitutional, must also be so. The President is left facing the wreck of his plans with his Budget unbalanced and with farmers and labourers clamouring for relief from present distress and future uncertainty.

Just how serious from the point of view of national finance the Supreme Court decision is may be realised when it is stated that it deprives the Administration of an estimated yield of \$100,000,000 from processing taxes which it expected to collect in the coming year, and \$40,000,000 of last year's processing tax, the collection of which was suspended pending the Court's decision.

Traders' Bill For Recovery. Moreover, the Administration is exposed to suits for the recovery of \$1,000,000,000 already paid, as it turns out illegally, by manufacturers, who are already beginning to sue for their money.

It has been stated that the Government is relying on the argument that the manufacturers must show that they actually paid the money out of their own profits and did not pass on the taxes in the shape of increased prices to the ultimate consumer.

If this plea succeeds it will mean a reversal of all former United States law and practice

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## "BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



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**MUTINY ON THE BOUNTY**  
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A Frank Lloyd Production

PLEASE NOTE SPECIAL TIMES AT THE KING'S AND ALHAMBRA THEATRES AS FOLLOWS:  
2.30, 5.00, 7.15 & 9.30 p.m.

## Short Shots

FRANK LLOYD, the director of "Mutiny on the Bounty," spent a year with a crew of camera-men at Tahiti to get the true atmosphere and scenery. "Mutiny," the South Sea Island belle, lived there and M.G.M. signed her to a contract. The actors were on location on Catalina Island for several weeks. The "Pandora" and "Bounty" are exact replicas of the original vessels, months of research and careful construction being necessary to make this possible. Uniforms are correct, as Laughton paid a personal visit to Gieves, the Bond Street tailor, who have been in business for over 300 years and were the makers of the original outfits. Lloyd deserves many bouquets for his great work on this film. He had a hand in every phase of the picture, research, script-writing, photographing and acting, even being the one to suggest to M.G.M. that the Charles Nordhoff-James Hall novel would make an excellent film. It is said to have cost \$2,000,000, but M.G.M. will have this returned three-fold.

Mary Pickford's first effort at co-production with Jesse Lasky is titled "One Rainy Afternoon" and the cast includes Francis Lederer, Ida Lupino, Edward Everett Horton, Joseph Cawthorne and Hugh Herbert.

Warner's are to follow up the "Story of Louis Pasteur" with a life of Madame Curie, the discoverer of radium. Josephine Hutchinson will play the lead.

David Niven, the boy-friend of Merle Oberon, who went over to



Constance Cummings and Robert Young have the leading roles in "Remember Last Night," a Universal film which is to be screened here shortly.

Hollywood just for fun, is now in picture in earnest and will be in another Goldwyn release with Miriam Hopkins and Billie Burke.

Rosalind Russell has been cast as "Lady Venetia," the hero's true love in "Under Two Flags." Ronald Colman and Simone Simon are the leads. By the by, from letters I have received from Norbert Lusk, the famous critic-editor of Picture Play, Ronald Colman has never done greater work than in "Tale of Two Cities."

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Charles Laughton and Clark Gable are featured in "Mutiny on the Bounty," which will be screened at the Alhambra Theatre soon.

## "MUTINY ON THE BOUNTY" GREATEST OF SEA-DRAMAS LAUGHTON, TONE AND GABLE GIVE SUPERB PERFORMANCES

"SO RED THE ROSE" AND ROYAL FUNERAL  
PICTURES AT QUEEN'S

By Diane

HERE is the greatest box-office winner of the year—the perfect entertainment—"Mutiny on the Bounty." A grim, thrilling and impressively authentic sea-drama that is a triumph of production and acting. I know that the women members of the audience will think, as I do, that the brutality is laid on with too much emphasis, but Director Frank Lloyd was out for reality, and he gives it. Besides, there is no use shutting our eyes to the ghastly fact that such atrocious cruelty did exist in the British navy (and every other navy at the time); but perhaps, as the foreword on the screen states, it has made the Senior Service the great thing it is to-day.

The outstanding feature in this film, to my mind, is the air of authenticity. You feel the ship-board atmosphere, the storms at sea, and you share in the beauty of the South Sea Islands. For once I was not conscious of the studio and toy ships in tanks. It is amazing how one is carried away, and the whole production and the capable acting is responsible for this feeling. This is not a pretty film, for the story of the Bounty's mutiny is a brutal tale of man's inhumanity to man and its tragic consequences. From what I have been told, the scenario follows closely the "best-seller" of Charles Nordhoff and James Hall, and they have done wonders in crowding so much detail into a film that takes about two and a quarter hours to un-reel.

It is an arresting, striking revelation of character. The period is 1792, when the "Bounty" sailed from Portsmouth for Tahiti in command of Captain Bligh (Charles Laughton), with Fletcher Christian (Clark Gable) as his Chief Officer, and Midshipman Byam (Franchot Tone), on his first voyage. We follow these men and the crew through a harrowing, exciting, tragic passage, during which the monstrous cruelty inflicted by Captain Bligh drives some of the crew to mutiny, when it seems to be the only means of escape from his brutality.

Three actors give great performances, although each and every man is well fitted to his part. To my mind, Charles Laughton seemed to live his role, and for once he was not "historically-conscious." You will remark on the change in the man, whom you had deemed incapable of one humane act, becoming a cool, almost incredible hero, urging on his faithful men, steering the small open boat and through indomitable determination reaching the Dutch island of Timor after a voyage of 3,600 miles over open sea—the greatest maritime feat of its kind ever accomplished. Gable's "Christian" is also a brilliant characterisation. Through all his trials he strives to maintain discipline and a belief in the Service. Even when he takes the final step his ideals remain with him. Yes, Gable is to be highly commended for a natural performance and perfect team-work. Franchot Tone, who shows the benefit of his Theatre Guild training, is given the best screen chance he has had since "Lives of a Bengal Lancer." He reaches great heights in the impassioned plea he makes at the court-martial, and it is to be hoped M.G.M. will properly appreciate this sterling young actor's undoubted ability, by giving him bigger and better roles in his future career.

The support, including Dudley Digges, Donald Crisp, Stanley Fields, Eddie Quillan, Herbert Mundin, Douglas Walton, and many more—not forgetting the really lovely Tahitian beauties Moyna and Mamo—is excellent and there is not a single player who strikes a false note. This is unquestionably the "epic" of the sea-dramas, which, with the benefit of sound, makes Frank Lloyd's previous best effort, "The Sea Hawk," fade into insignificance. Excellent from the point of view of production, acting, photography

and a story full of suspense. Guaranteed outstanding entertainment. Showing at the Alhambra and King's.

"Navy Wife"  
Heroine Claire Trevor, because of her family experiences, is afraid of marriage. She lives at the San Diego Naval Hospital happily with Nurse Jane Darwell and George Irving. Ralph Bellamy, a young doctor, is sent there. He is a widower with a crippled daughter, who says he loved his wife so madly that he will never marry again; but, for the sake of his child, he marries Claire—on a friendship basis.

Later he meets a fascinating adventuress, Kathleen Burke, and neglects his wife. Ben Lyon, another young doctor, explains the affair satisfactorily by putting down the friendship to a secret



Irene Hervey will be seen in the leading role in "His Night Out," which is coming to the Colony soon.

assignment from the Intelligence Department. All ends as one desires and, as the acting from all concerned is up to scratch and the leading players highly popular, this Twentieth-Century Fox feature should please.

The pretty team known as "The Gaiety Girls" will be singing and dancing during the run of this picture. They have already proved their worth at the H.K. Hotel and the Oriental, so should be an attraction now at the Alhambra.

"Here Comes Cook"  
Gracie Allen literally "steals the show." "Papa" Barber leads her millions in order to foil a fortune-hunter, so Gracie plays hostess to a hungry horde of homeless vaudevilleans, including trained animals of all sorts. You have to see this to appreciate the absurdity, but you must hand it to Burns and Allen for providing laughs. Betty Furness, Jack Powell, Andrew Tombes and some splendid acts, from vaudeville, which are alone worth anyone's money. (Queen's).

"Front Page Woman"  
Bette Davis and George Brent as rival reporters make this good entertainment. As the title indicates, it is about the ever-colourful activities of newspaper folk, and how they pay each other off by grabbing "scops." The plot has nothing new in it, and merely tells how heroine Bette Davis loves hero George, but won't agree to marry him till he agrees she is a good reporter. They try to outwit each other in reporting a murder story—and here hangs the highlight of the picture. As the dialogue is snappy, Miss Davis' excellent as usual, George Brent thoroughly at home, Roscoe Karns the photographer, with J. Farrell MacDonald, Whitfield Shaw, Joseph O'Shea and many more turning in first-class support, I can't fault for a most pleasant evening. (Queen's).

THE South before and after the Civil War, comes to life again in "So Red the Rose" under the able supervision of director King Vidor, and with considerable help from Margaret Sullavan, whose performances are always interesting.

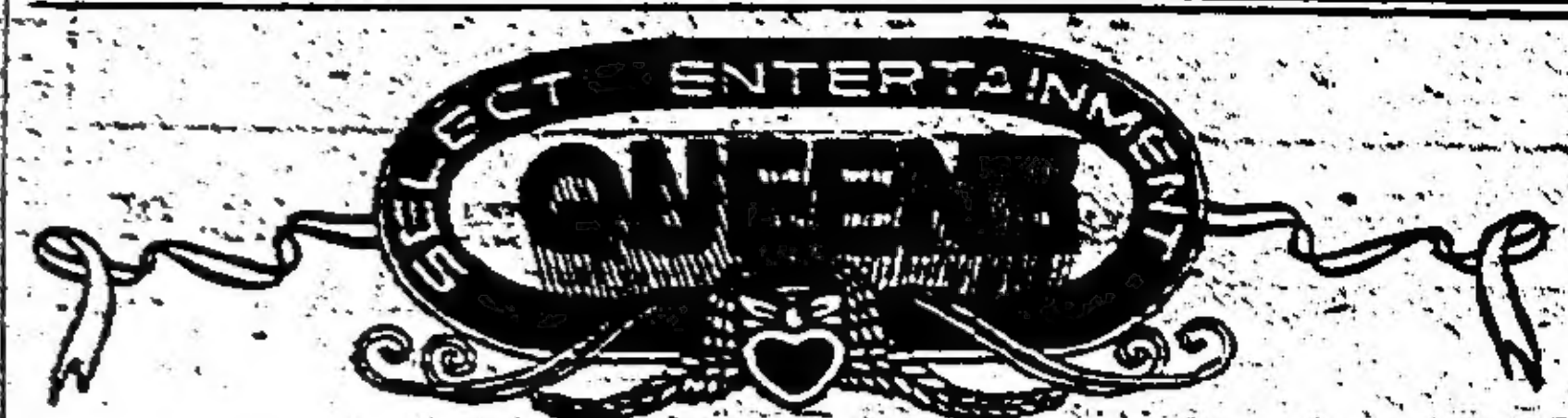
"So Red the Rose" tells (as in "Littlest Rebel") what the Civil War did to the South, not by battle scenes, but by singling out one Southern family and showing what it did to them. The Bedfords (Walter Connolly and Janet Beecher) live a happy and peaceful life on their plantation with their lovely daughter (Miss Sullavan) and her cousin, with whom she is in love (Randolph Scott). If you have tears, prepare to shed them now, as the beautiful acting from all concerned and the poignantly true picture of life during those troublous times cannot fail to enlist sympathy and interest. It is lavishly mounted, exquisitely photographed, superbly acted, and assuredly furthers Miss Sullavan's reputation as one of the screen's greatest actresses.

The Royal Funeral  
With this poignant drama will be shown the News Reel (Paramount) pictures of the funeral of the late beloved King George V. The Management are to be congratulated on their prompt screening of this great, but sad event, and the Queen's will be the Mecca for peoples of all nationalities from the to-morrow to Tuesday next. (Queen's).

"The Three Musketeers"  
The famous old story of roistering adventure, which most film-goers remember as one of the biggest hits of the elder Douglas Fairbanks' screen career, has come to life with sound effects and a new star from Broadway—Walter Abel as "D'Artagnan." Mr. Abel, who is counted as among the superior actors in his own medium, is a little out of his element on the screen, as his presence lacks magnetism. His performance is exact, but not highly interesting. Paul Lukas, Loroni Olsen and Onslow Stevens are his three companions and acquit themselves well. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Forbes (Heather Angel), Margot Grahame ("Milady") and Ian Keith contribute some first-class acting. It is beautifully produced and this spirited romantic presentation of Dumas' famous novel should prove highly popular. (King's).

Majestic  
"Casino de Paris" is a good back-stage musical with an interesting story, and an exceptionally fine cast; and it is the first picture in which the husband and wife, Al Jolson and Ruby Keeler, have shared honours. Spectacular dance numbers and tuneful numbers make this worthwhile entertainment. Followed by England's famous stage actress, Gertrude Lawrence, co-starring with Douglas Fairbanks Jr. in "Mimi." This costume romance with the tragic love theme is sympathetically portrayed by the two stars and a large cast. It is rich in atmosphere and offers strong out-of-the-ordinary entertainment, with sentimental appeal and really fine characterisations.

Oriental  
"I Live My Life" is one of the best pictures Joan Crawford has ever given us. She looks really lovely throughout, and her power of expressing every emotion is given full sway in a story that is interesting from start to finish. In her new leading man, Brian Aherne, she has an ideal co-star. In the best screen role he has had to date, he shows unbounded vitality. (Continued on Page 12)



TO-MORROW

By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel A. C. Marsh and Officers the Band of the 2nd Battalion The East Lancashire Regiment, conducted by Mr. A. B. Yule, will play:—

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NEXT CHANGE

BETTE DAVIES in "FRONT PAGE WOMAN"



Ruby Keeler acts the part of a naval officer's orphan who dances her way to fame, in the Cosmopolitan production, "Shipmates Forever," which will be screened at the Queen's Theatre soon.



Clark Gable's virile role as leader of the mutineers in "Mutiny on the Bounty," the thrilling sea-adventure opening to-morrow at the King's and Alhambra Theatres, includes a number of delightful love sequences in Tahiti with Mamo, a native beauty.



Joan Crawford and Lewis Stone are in the Cosmopolitan production, "Shipmates Forever," as father and son. This picture will be coming to the Queen's Theatre soon.









The Gaily Girls, above, are appearing at all the performances at the Oriental Theatre to-day.

## CORRESPONDENCE

### The Flower Show

[To The Editor "China Mail"]

Sir,—The Flower Show is on Thursday and Friday, March 5 and 6. This declaration is the successor of several preceding ones all destined to obviate the complaint heard year after year—"Oh yes, I missed the show, but then I didn't know the date."

This year there are two dates so it is hoped that Hong Kong flower lovers will take out those neat little red, green and blue diaries presented to them by kind friends at Christmas and "putte book" at once.

For the Flower Show in Hong Kong is good. To many of us it is a red letter day in the year, when we can feast our eyes on concentrated colour and beauty. Of course to those who are satisfied with nothing less than the Chelsea Flower Show, our local effort will not appeal. But to many it recalls the Flower Show of our country towns or villages and it brings back many pleasant memories of the English countryside. One recaptures in the match-shed on Volunteer Headquarters Parade Ground the atmosphere of the big homeside marquees and the shock of mixed fragrance of flowers and fruit and vegetables.

Here gardening is achieved under peculiar difficulties of soil and climate but I have never heard dissatisfaction expressed with the results as embodied by the Show, even by the most ardent film fan who sacrifices an afternoon of the movies.

In addition to fixing the date of the Show in their memories I urge flower-lovers to join the Horticultural Society. "And what do I get for it?" is the question. You pay \$5 annually. For that you get free admission to the Show, a warm welcome from the fraternity of garden growers and flower fans in Hong Kong and expert advice on your garden or pots or window box. It is obvious that the Show cannot be held without money. \$2,000 is roughly the amount required for the match-shed and other expenses. At the moment the Society has only 200 members; the deficit is obvious to the meanest mathematician.

So the hopes of those who have the welfare of the Society at heart are centred on new members on the roll and a bumper crowd at the Show.

BELLA SOUTHOE,  
President,  
H.K. Horticultural Society.

### MRS. SANGER'S VISIT

#### Public Lecture At H.K. Hotel

Mrs. Margaret Sanger, President of the Birth Control International Information Centres, is due in Hong Kong on Thursday next. An informal reception will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, 1st floor, at 4.30 p.m. on that day, and at 5.30 Mrs. Sanger will deliver a public lecture in the Roof Garden of the Hotel.

A dinner in her honour will be given at 8.30 p.m. also at the Roof Garden, at which evening dress is optional. The charge is \$2 per head, and those wishing to be present should make their reservation at the Hotel before next Wednesday.

## GOLF STARTING TIMES

### Sunday's Pairings At Fanling

The following are the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for Fanling next Sunday.

OLD COURSE	
9.20 a.m.	J. S. Dykes, R. D. Evans
9.24 "	H. H. Pethick, J. W. Mayhew
9.28 "	H. Lafford, Comdr. Hole
9.32 "	H. N. Williamson, T. J. Webb
9.36 "	T. R. Rowell, R. A. Rodgers
9.40 "	T. Lindars, P. Morrison
9.44 "	A. C. I. Bowker, J. A. D. Morrison
9.48 "	G. S. Chambers, F. C. B. Black
9.52 "	O. J. Shannon, H. A. Browning
9.56 "	A. McKeellar, W. W. C. Sheehan
10.00 "	A. Sommerfeld, R. Young
10.04 "	N. P. Fox, C. Austin
10.08 "	A. R. Mackenzie, R. L. S. Webb
10.12 "	S. E. Dodwell, Col. Blake
10.16 "	R. B. Davies, F. C. Mudie
10.20 "	C. W. E. Bishop, D. L. Probert
10.24 "	A. Anderson, W. J. S. Key
10.28 "	A. Nicol, N. K. Littlejohn
10.32 "	K. K. Rounds, I. H. Geare
10.36 "	J. W. Alabaster, D. J. Fraser
10.40 "	W. N. A. Smalley, L. Goldman
10.44 "	W. N. Bryers, L. R. Bligh
10.48 "	E. M. Bryden, R. C. Webb
10.52 "	R. L. Moncrieff, Col. Robertson
10.56 "	G. T. May, D. J. Keogh
11.00 "	V. R. Gordon, J. R. Collis
11.04 "	R. K. Collings, F. M. Ellis
11.08 "	H. F. Sommers, T. J. Draper
11.12 "	E. G. N. Grimble, P. Tod
11.16 "	A. B. Purves, J. Forbes
NEW COURSE	
9.28 a.m.	Mrs. Smalley, Mrs. Goldman
9.36 "	Mrs. Bishop, Miss Knill
9.44 "	J. Dalziel, Col. Matthews
9.52 "	H. and Mrs. Overy
10.00 "	Mrs. Blake, Mrs. Webb
10.08 "	Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Collis
10.16 "	J. B. Mackie, A. E. Perry

## LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

One case each of diphtheria, enteric fever and cerebro-spinal fever were reported to the Health authorities in the 24 hours ended on Wednesday.

The fifth annual athletic sports of La Salle College will take place on Saturday, February 22, at 1 p.m. The Very Rev. G. M. Sydes will distribute the prizes.

Owing to the indisposition of Mr. K. Keen, the daily hawkers' cases were dealt with by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Police Court yesterday.

The concert party of H.M.S. Medway entertained at the Chorro Club on Wednesday evening before a house filled to capacity, and the most enjoyable programme that was staged received its reward in the enthusiasm shown by the audience.

The R.M.S. Empress of Canada left Shanghai at 7 o'clock this morning and is due to leave Yokohama on Tuesday morning next for Honolulu, Victoria and Vancouver.

There will be no dinner dance at the Repulse Bay Hotel tomorrow night, but the usual tea dance will be held on Sunday at 4.30 p.m.

## "SLOW SUICIDE"

### Falling Birth Rate In Britain

#### GRAVE WARNING UTTERED BY LONDON PRIEST

"Slow but sure suicide" was a phrase used by Father Woodcock, of Farm-street Church, W., when he commented on the continued decline in the national birth-rate recorded in the recently published 1935 report of the Registrar-General.

"I fear that few people realise the seriousness of the situation," said Father Woodcock in an interview.

"A birth-rate of 14.4 means a drop of nearly 60 per cent. in the nation's fertility during the last 60 years; it is the slow but sure suicide of what has been the strongest nation in Europe."

"Already there are signs that this decline has been watched from abroad and has had its effect on foreign politics. One does not like the phrase 'cannon-fodder,' but the power of self-defence and Empire defence is so steadily dwindling that England will inevitably lose its place in the world."

#### A Heavier Burden

"Only short-sighted economists fail to notice that a fall in the birth-rate will not help the condition of the working classes, but, accompanied by the noticeable increased longevity of our people, will put a much heavier burden on the workers."

"They will be fewer, but in the future they will have to support a much increased number of aged and unemployable dependents. Propagandists of the spread of the birth-control movement never seem to aver this."

"Dr. Inge told us a few years ago that opening at random the record of successful and prominent men in 'Who's Who' he found that 50 consecutive entries of married men showed that they had only 87 children in all, an average of 1.7 per family."

"This age will stand out in the social history of England as the one when marriage began to exist mainly for recreation, not procreation; for pleasure, not for parenthood."

"No warnings as to the effect on the nation of the general use of artificial birth prevention are likely to have any effect on individuals who practise it. Nobody is likely to have a large family for patriotic motives, and the moral aspect of the problem has no longer any weight with the average man."

"One cannot take seriously the charitable interpretation made by Bishop Barnes a few years ago when he said that 'it is, in fact, a desire for the welfare of the general public' that has led to the limitation of families."

## ESCAPE FROM THE FOREIGN LEGION

### Londoner's Story

#### SIDI-BEL-ABBES TO ORAN ON STOLEN BICYCLES

William Allen, a 21-year-old clerk, of Shepherd's Bush, W., who escaped with another Londoner from the French Foreign Legion in Morocco, arrived at Plymouth on January 15.

With Jack Edmonds, aged 20, he left the Legion headquarters at Sidi-Bel-Abbes on New Year's Day.

After dark they took two bicycles which were outside a house.

With pistols in pursuit they reached Oran after a five hours' ride.

They threw away their uniforms as they rode along.

Allen said: "Our luck was in. We found a Greek steamer, the Marietta Nomikos, and went on board. We stowed away in a lifeboat. The ship had been at sea about an hour before we were discovered. The captain was very good when he heard about our adventure, and allowed us to work our passage to Gibraltar, where we were put ashore."

Allen enlisted two and a half years ago.

"Asked why he ran away," he said, "I wanted to see somebody in London."

"We were fed up with the For-

Today's Short Story

## A Broadcast Talk

By S. P. R. Mais

GOOD evening.

Before I outline for you my long-promised plan for our future policy in India I must ask you to bear with me patiently and listen to a preliminary statement which may well seem to you at first to be irrelevant.

Having enjoyed, as Prime Minister, your confidence over a period of many years, I now wish to repay the compliment and take you into my confidence over a matter that will only reach you in a garbled and inaccurate form in to-morrow morning's papers.

The matters, though personal, cannot fail to affect the whole State inasmuch as it undoubtedly will affect the first Minister in the State.

## TRAFFIC OFFENCE

### European Driver Fined \$30

Mr. A. G. Piovaneli, of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotel, was this morning fined \$30 by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy for driving his car without due care and caution along Queen's Road East on February 3 and with failing to produce his licence when requested by the Police.

Sergeant G. Clarke said that on that day he saw defendant near the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank travelling at a fairly fast rate eastwards. He chased defendant along Queen's Road East, when he overtook another car at the Naval Yard gate and two others near the Wellington Barracks, all on the left hand side. The sergeant caught him up at Arsenal Street as the red light was against him, otherwise he would not have been able to do so.

When asked to produce his licence defendant said that he did not have it with him. He was told to do so at the traffic office the next day, but he did not produce it until a few days after.

There were many workmen coming out of the Naval Yard at the time.

Admitting the facts, the defendant said that he was in a particular hurry on that day and in overtaking the two cars he did so on the left as they were on the tramlines and the left side was free.

With regard to the licence, he forgot about it. When he remembered about it a few days later he immediately attended to the matter.

## THE CRIMINAL SESSIONS

### SIX CASES ON THE CALENDAR

#### TWO COUNTERFEIT COINS OFFENCES

The Criminal Sessions have been fixed for Tuesday, 18th inst. and this month there are only six cases on the list, the first three of which will be taken by the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Lindell, and the remaining three by the Acting Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Hayden.

The calendar is as follows:—

1. Li Po, assault by two or more persons in company, with intent to rob;

2. Yip Suk-mei, alias Yip Tuk-cho, custody or possession of three or more counterfeit copper coins;

3. Lam Wah, Tse Kee and Wong Chun, alias Wong San-chuen alias Wong Chin, custody or possession of instruments for counterfeiting; (b) custody or possession of three or more copper coins;

4. Wong On, breach of the Deportation Ordinance;

5. Ho Sap-yat, custody or possession of three or more counterfeit copper coins;

6. Tsang Tak-he, alias Tsang Tak-he, robbery by two or more persons in custody.

Edmonds found work at Gibraltar.

The name of Banstead is probably unfamiliar to you. He was at school with me. He was in the same house; in fact he slept in the next bed. We disliked each other on sight. The animosity fanned into flame over the episode of the collars.

This may sound to you incredibly stupid, but nations have before now gone to war for just as trivial a cause as a collar.

Banstead's collars were clean. Mine were not. My people couldn't afford linen collars for me. I had to put up with a celluloid one, and Banstead one day found me trying to clean mine.

"It's no use flickering those lights over my head. Don't. I beg you. Control, cut me off. It's a matter of life and death. Please. What was I saying? Oh, yes."

Celluloid collars go a sort of duck-egg colour after a bit and crack, and everybody can see that they aren't linen. Anyway, my collar gave Banstead his chance. He'd been looking for it for a long time. He went off and collected his gang, and they crept up and surrounded me before I knew what was happening. Then they all sang to the tune of "John Brown's Body":

"Simeon Paul Bartholomew wears a celluloid collar, Simeon Paul Bartholomew wears a celluloid collar, Simeon Paul Bartholomew wears a celluloid collar, We'll teach him how to keep it clean."

It was Banstead, by the way, who found out how much I hated my Christian names. Before he came I was always known by three initials. I liked that. It gave me distinction. Most fellows had only one or two names. I had three. To Banstead, my three names now became a joke.

And while they sang they knelt on me, poured benzol on the collar, and then set a match to it. I only just got it off my neck in time.

Now you know how I got that odd ring round my neck that everybody looks at and nobody dares to ask me about. I'm not sensitive now as I used to be at school. Public men can't afford to be. They stand to be shot at all the time.

But it was more than a sear in the neck I got that day. Something seared into my very soul, and I've never been the same since. And it had an odd effect on Banstead. He thought that he had burnt me to death, and he never forgave me. Men never do forgive those whom they injure.

There go those lights glittering again. Then you haven't cut me off yet. Please, please let me go on. It's desperately important that I get this clear to you.

I was talking about Banstead. After that collar episode he hated me with a cold calculated hatred that I realised would never die until one of us died. And I used to pray every night and morning that it would be he.

He had a notebook in which he entered every fellow's birthday, and he was always there when cakes were being unpacked. And he had an uncanny way of getting masters to ask him to tea. Partly due to that collar of his, I suppose. And partly due to the fact that he was always jumping up and opening and shutting doors for people. It only made me go out of my way to be dirty and untidy, and never to open anything for anybody.

"I've told you about Banstead's notebook. He entered other things in it besides people's birthdays. Whatever he could worm out about them that they didn't want known he wrote out laboriously and followed up as if he were training to be a detective. And I have very good reason to know that many masters didn't ask him to tea so much for his charm of manner (he knew how to talk on the subjects they liked all right) as for his capacity to inform."

Knowing all this as I did, I can't think how I was such a fool as to borrow from him. He made borrowing an easy matter. His keys occupied a large place in his notebook. Advances of sixpence meant misapprehension if returned within a week, a bob within a fortnight, and so on. Thinking of those threepences ticking up would give me bigger nightmares at school than anything else except this ring round my neck.

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## AIR MAILS AND BUSINESS

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### SINGAPORE BUSINESS MAN'S COMPLAINTS

A Singapore business man writes as follows to a Straits paper:—

There is no doubt that the introduction of the bi-weekly air mails, in addition to the usual sea mail services, are largely responsible for a steadily increasing pressure of work and time in the ranks of local business men. Not that the volume of business has increased—that would be a comforting factor—it is almost exclusively a case of being forced to make use of every available opportunity to mail inquiries, orders and messages so as to prevent the competition from gaining an advantage. It is moreover a case of an increasing control being exercised by head offices over the business activities of their Eastern branches. This to my mind is as deplorable as it is of questionable advantage. The matter will no doubt adjust itself in the course of time.

Real Mileage The Same  
For the moment, however, we have not learned, and head offices especially have not learned, to realise that, although the distance between East and West has been shortened by some 60 to 70 per cent. in terms of mail transmission time, the actual distance in terms of mileage, environment, custom, business organisation and working procedure is still the same as before, i.e. approximately eight weeks, or the time it has taken for the past four decades to receive a reply by steamer mail.

An organisation built up on the basis of an eight weeks' mail return time, both here and at home, must of necessity be thrown out of gear by a speedier exchange of messages. To judge from my discussions with a number of friends in executive positions, and to judge from my own experience, this is the case in almost every mercantile enterprise in this country and represents a serious problem to the heads of many firms.

Element Of Danger  
We have thereby reached a stage which in my opinion contains a serious element of danger. There is the risk of loss of business through tardy action. I am not speaking of transactions of vital importance to the firm, or of contracts involving large capital expenditure, but of the great number of minor issues which formerly were decided on independently from home office approval and which formed the back-bone of any firm's local transactions. Now they have come within the province of home decisions and although the mail time has been shortened, a considerable delay is unavoidable if compared with the independent former procedure.

Becoming A Puppet  
In addition to this risk there is a psychological factor to be considered. The business executive who formerly was expected to take full responsibility of his actions and consequently exercised the utmost care in his dispositions, is gradually reduced to the status of a mere puppet in the firm's executive organisation. As such he is bound to lose that grip in the firm's affairs and that high sense of responsibility which formerly made his position one of trust and respectability, a position which, above all, he could only secure and hold through proved capabilities and integrity.

Another risk of equal importance is to be found in the possibility of misunderstanding. Time and again it has been found that it is practically impossible within the limits of business correspondence to present every case in all its aspects or to prove every issue sufficiently clearly to ensure a full understanding on the other side. Here again it is not the transactions of vital importance or the contracts involving large capital expenditure to which Air Mails and Business refer, but to those many acts

## AQUARIUM FISHES

Interesting Talk By Mr. B. E. Sugars

### LOCAL ENTHUSIASTS GATHER

Mr. B. E. Sugars on Wednesday night gave a most informative talk, in the Biological Department of the University, to the members of the Hong Kong Aquarium Society on tropical aquarium fishes, dealing with the proper food to give them, their enemies, and the treatment of these small fishes in case of sickness.

Many helpful hints were given and duly noted by the audience: the composition of fresh and dried foods, quantity to give one's fish, and times of feeding; the menace of "water tigers," dragon-fly larvae and other harmful creatures unwittingly introduced into tanks; and the several ways a sick fish may be cured.

Mr. Sugars had arranged an exhibit to illustrate his talk, and the rows of bottles and jars with specimens helped considerably to make everyone acquainted with the topics discussed.

At the next meeting it is hoped to have a talk on where to look locally for water weeds and small fishes suitable for the home aquarium.

## ALLIED CHINESE HOSPITALS

### Directors' Election At Tung Wah

A joint meeting of the Tung Wah, Kwong Wah and Tung Wah Eastern Hospitals was held yesterday, Mr. Peter H. Sin presiding, in the main hall of the Tung Wah Hospital, for the election of directors for the ensuing year, when the following were elected:—

Mr. Lo Wing-kit (Chairman), Messrs. Ngan Kang-hoi, Chan Cheuk-man, Kan Siu-cho, Lan King-tsang, Cheung Lan-chow, S. N. Quinn, Chan Tsing-man, Mok Yu-kei, Chan Chun-tak, Leung Pak-chung and Dr. Shi Man-wai.

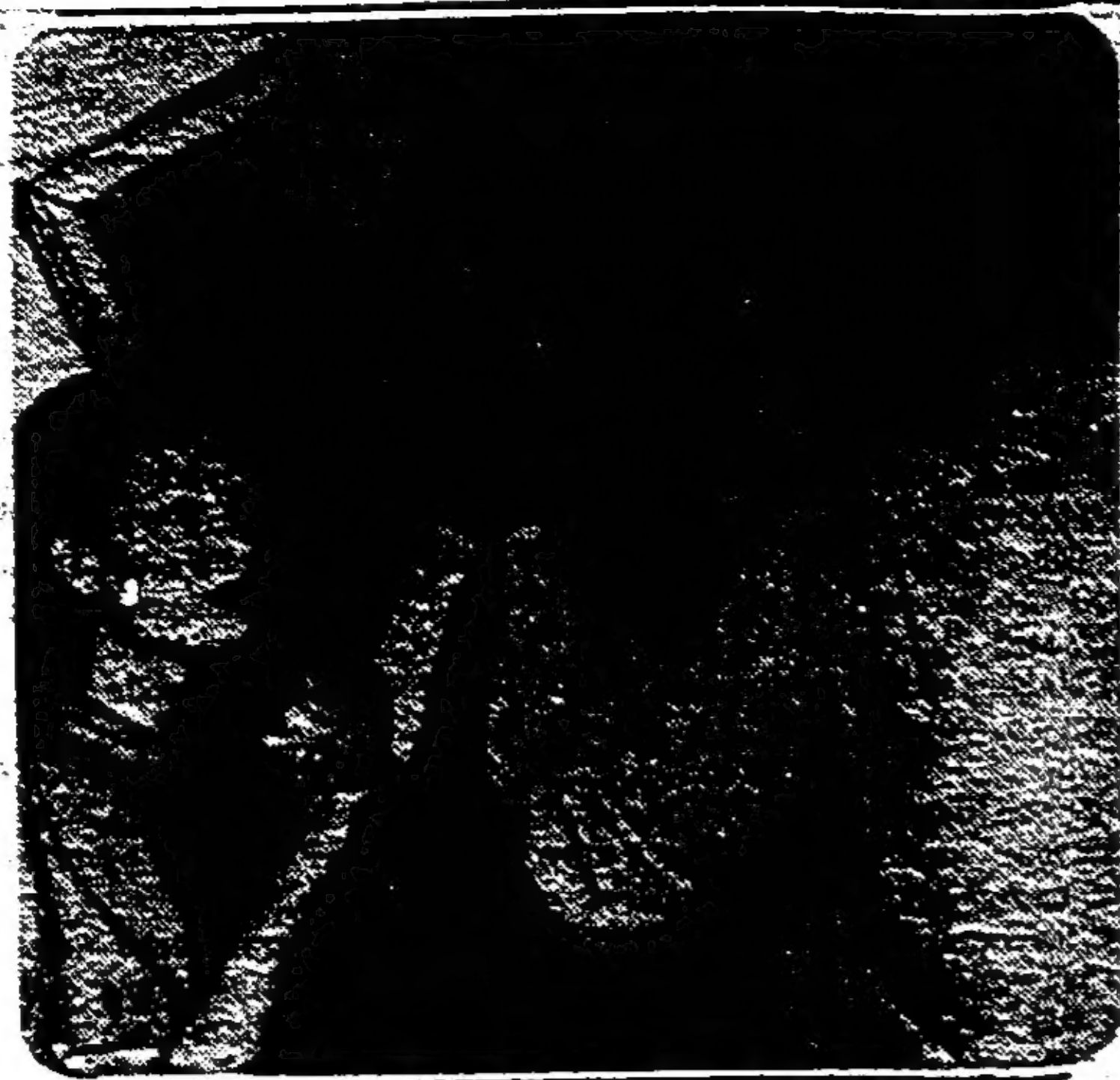
Mr. Peter Sin, in welcoming the incoming directors, thanked them on behalf of his colleagues for their public-spirited action in coming forward to serve this gigantic charity. Mr. Sin also remarked that the election of Dr. Shi Man-wai constituted a record, Dr. Shi being the first doctor to have been elected to serve as a Director in the history of these hospitals.

### GOLDEN WEDDING AND FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Leconte, of Guernsey, who had been married 50 years, were buried together in Jersey last month after a funeral service in the church where they were married.

of business which are best decided on the spot where all the circumstances can be duly taken into consideration and where the various points can best be viewed from every angle.

Misunderstandings  
One can, of course, write in *extenso* on every minor issue, but there is so much work involved as to preclude almost any other activity. More important still is the fact that, however explicit one believes to be, there are bound to be factors which one overlooks, because one takes them for granted, and which, more often than not, are responsible for serious as well as merely irritating misunderstandings. Even where the home offices are in charge of directors with considerable Eastern experience, or where the staff is thoroughly acquainted with the trade at this end, it is quite out of question for them to keep au courant of every development, or to realise in every instance all the factors which must be taken into consideration. I should like to think that the increased control from home offices which the air mail services have brought about in local mercantile activities will soon be recognised as a short-sighted policy, resulting, as it is bound to do, in a steady falling off of business and waste of valuable time, in increasing inefficiency and in an irreparable loss of that quality of leadership which alone ensures success.



Rochelle Hudson, Bruce Cabot and Edward Norris play the leading parts in 20th Century's "Show Them No Mercy," which will be coming here soon.

## STUDENT RIOTS IN FRANCE

Some Anger Against The Police

### PARIS DEAN MAKES GRAVE CHARGES

—CHINA MAIL—SPECIAL  
Paris, To-day.

Unrest is reported from many French universities. The university students of all faculties of Bordeaux have declared a strike in protest against the increased registration fees.

In Tours the students dictated a strike for three days to show their disapproval of the police measures taken against the students of the Sorbonne in Paris during the recent rioting there.

The Dean of the faculty of Law at the Sorbonne, who had summoned the police to quell the disorders, once more announced his resignation to the Minister of Education on Wednesday.

The Board of Teachers of the Sorbonne held a meeting, in the course of which they passed 10 resolutions, the first of which asks the Minister of Education to close the faculty of Law immediately in order to prevent new incidents, while the second protests against the communique issued by the police on Tuesday's disturbances, because the communique denies the Dean's assertion that he was beaten up by the police and states that it was the students who attacked the official.

The Dean also complains against the police for having made a mass arrest of the students, although the students had promised the Dean that they would leave the university peacefully, and although the Dean implored the police not to remove them forcibly.

The above protests state that the condemnation of the methods of the police is universal and not restricted to student circles.—Trans-Ocean Service.

## BRITAIN AND EGYPT

Paving The Way For Negotiations

—CHINA MAIL—SPECIAL  
Cairo, To-day.

The English reply-note relating to the resumption of the Anglo-Egyptian negotiations has been received here. The note, it is asserted, agrees with the Egyptian demands, that the *status quo* be maintained, should the coming negotiations fail. The note was therefore received with satisfaction here.

The publication of the Royal Decree appointing the delegation to negotiate with Britain, which will probably consist of the greater part of the leaders of the United Front, was expected to have been made yesterday. It is therefore believed that the negotiations will begin early next week.—Trans-Ocean Service.

### NEW SCOTISH RESORT

East Fife fishermen, by a plebiscite, decided in favour of Aschburgh, the fishing port, becoming a holiday resort. A £10,000 golf course will be constructed.

## ROMAN CHURCH IN FRANCE

Archbishop's Action Criticised

### ALLEGED DISCRIMINATION AT FUNERAL SERVICE

—CHINA MAIL—SPECIAL  
Paris, To-day.

Much comment was caused here by the refusal of the Archbishop of Paris, to conform with the request to have Catholic clergy assist in the funeral rites of the famous author and member of the Academie Francaise, Jacques Bainville, although prominent personalities had brought forward the request.

It is generally assumed that the action was due to the fact that the deceased was a member of the Academie Francaise, which is openly hostile to the Church, its members having been ex-communicated by the Pope.—Trans-Ocean Service.

## RHINELAND ZONE

No Infringement By Germany

—CHINA MAIL—SPECIAL  
Paris, To-day.

The rumours of an infringement by Germany of the demilitarisation clauses of the Treaty of Versailles and the Locarno Pact were denied by the Foreign Minister, M. Flandin, according to the paper *Le Jour*, which states that M. Flandin, in answer to an interpellation by Deputy Fribourg, declared that the Supreme Council for National Defence had informed the French Government that an investigation of these allegations.—Trans-Ocean Service.

## FRENCH PLANE UNLOCATED

Extended Search Has No Result

—CHINA MAIL—SPECIAL  
Paris, To-day.

The search for the missing hydroplane *Ville de Buenos Aires* of the French South American mail service has so far failed to yield any result. The hydroplane Santos Dumont, which searched the waters around St. Paul's Island throughout Wednesday afternoon, returned without having discovered any trace of the missing plane.—Trans-Ocean Service.

### THE BRITISH FIGHTING SERVICES

London, To-day. — When the House of Commons discusses to-day the Private Member's Bill to subordinate the Home fighting services to the Ministry of Defence, it is understood that the Government's attitude to the bill and on the question of greater co-operation and co-ordination in defence matters will be stated by the Minister without Portfolio, Lord Eustace Percy.—British Wireless Service.

## JUBILEE OF GREAT ELECTRIC FIRM

Westinghouse Co. Of America

### WONDERFUL GROWTH FROM SMALL BEGINNINGS

Tracing its history back 50 years, the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company staged on January 8 a nationwide observance in its golden anniversary in every city of the United States where it is represented by factories, offices, warehouses, subsidiaries or dealers.

Speaking at a luncheon in New York last month Mr. A. W. Robertson, chairman of the board of the company, said that he saw the future role of science as one that would provide the means to better living in improvements and innovations which to-day are only dreamed of.

Started in 1886

It was recalled that the company started operations on January 8, 1886, in a small factory building in downtown Pittsburgh, with a staff of 200 employees. To-day the company has 19 plants and in normal years employs more than 40,000 people; its annual sales amount to about \$180,000,000, and it maintains sales organizations all over the world, the Westinghouse International Company being represented in more than 80 countries. From an initial list of 13 items offered for sale, the company's catalogue now contains hundreds of thousands of electrical appliances and accessories.

Turbine of 200,000 Horsepower

Reviewing the accomplishments of 1935, officials disclosed many new records in size, power or efficiency of new electrical units placed in service. For the generation of power, Westinghouse installed at Philadelphia a single-shaft turbine rated at 185 kilowatts or about 200,000 horsepower. Waterwheel units were shipped to Boulder Dam, to take power from the Colorado River; and at the Los Angeles end of the Boulder Dam transmission line are transformers built by Westinghouse.

Recent tests of the 35-mile transmission line leading out of Milwaukee showed that the line was completely lightning-proof with its new equipment of flash-over protectors.

Rails Electrification

Westinghouse engineers were largely responsible for the electrification of the Pennsylvania Railroad from New York to Washington, and most of the equipment used came from the factories. The service required a fleet of 191 electric locomotives and 431 electrically driven multiple-unit cars.

A new day for the street railway equipment dawned. Modern cars capable of accelerating at the rate of 4.75 miles per hour per second double the average now and give smoothness at the same time. Rapid transit cars built for New York made possible an increase of schedule speeds 36 per cent. better than previous equipment.

Diesel-electric equipment for the streamlined trains of the nation were in part supplied by Westinghouse.

From Bloom to Coil

In industry, steel will be rolled faster and better with the new electric-powered mills of the steel industry. Typical of new mills is one where steel starts as part of a three-ton bloom, runs a gauntlet of 10 continuous rolls and emerges a quarter of a mile away as a thin strip 42 inches wide, wound into a tight coil.

Machine tools grow larger, more versatile. One machine developed recently can do practically anything in the line of planing, milling, boring or drilling pieces of steel of any shape.

Vapour Lighting

In addition to maintaining broadcasting service from its three stations, Westinghouse continued experimenting on short-wave last year, conducting regular programmes on the lower wave bands.

High intensity mercury-vapour lighting was extended in use during the year, sodium-vapour lamps were installed along many highways, and a more efficient electric lamp was designed.

## EDUCATION BILL IN COMMONS

Proposed Raising Of School-Leaving Age

### MEASURE EXPLAINED BY MINISTER

London, To-day.

In the House of Commons yesterday afternoon the President of the Board of Education, Mr. Oliver Stanley, moved the second reading of the Education Bill, the principal object of which is the raising of the school-leaving age from 14 to 15. The measure also provides for expenditure on buildings and financial aid to the voluntary schools. The estimated cost of the proposed extension of the educational services is £2,100,000 yearly, of which £1,465,000 will be charged on the Exchequer and £635,000 will fall on local rates. The raising of the school-leaving age will take effect from September 1939.

The Minister explained that the reason for the delay was that it would not be possible for the vast majority of the educational authorities to be ready earlier. Some 2,500 additional teachers would have to be trained. Buildings would have to be enlarged, and schools would have to be re-organised.

EXEMPTIONS

Dealing with the clauses providing for exemptions where beneficial employment is available which, he said, was the most contentious part of the bill, Mr. Stanley explained that the exemption was intended to be particular, not general. It would be an exemption of a particular child for a particular job, and the bill gave local authorities power to see that no trade into which a child entered was an unregulated trade. They still had, the Minister added, to convince parents that an extra year at school for their children was really worth while, and would have a permanent effect on their lives, prospects and happiness.

REAL STEP FORWARD

The bill marked a real and substantial step in educational progress and it was a rather wonderful thing in the circumstances of the world that they were proposing any such thing, when elsewhere Governments were discussing rumours of wars and revolutions, repression, crisis and censorship.

## GROWING TRAFFIC OF SUEZ CANAL

Largest Since 1929

During 1935 transits of the Suez Canal numbered 5,392 vessels. This is the highest total reached since 1929, and compares with 5,663 vessels in 1934. Receipts last year amounted to \$11,886,000, against \$11,420,000 in the previous year.

These substantial gains are due entirely to the huge increase in the volume of Italian shipping through the Canal. But for this factor, actual reductions in transits and receipts would have been shown.

Between the period January and November last year, 1,177 Italian ships passed through the Canal, against only 398 in the corresponding period of 1934. This increase of 799 compared with a total increase of 329 ships of all flags during the whole year.

## R.E.O.C.A. DANCE

German Sailors To Attend

The R.E.O.C.C. are holding a Dance in the China Fleet Club Theatre to-morrow. A point of interest about this dance is that quite a number of the crew of the German cruiser *Karlsmhe* have expressed their intention of attending. Also the Committee are forming an invitation book and facilities will be made at the dance for patrons to have their names entered. If there are any persons who wish to be included and are not able to avail themselves of this opportunity, they are asked to write to the Hon. Secretary, R.E.O.C.C. Entertainments Committee, Wellington Barracks.

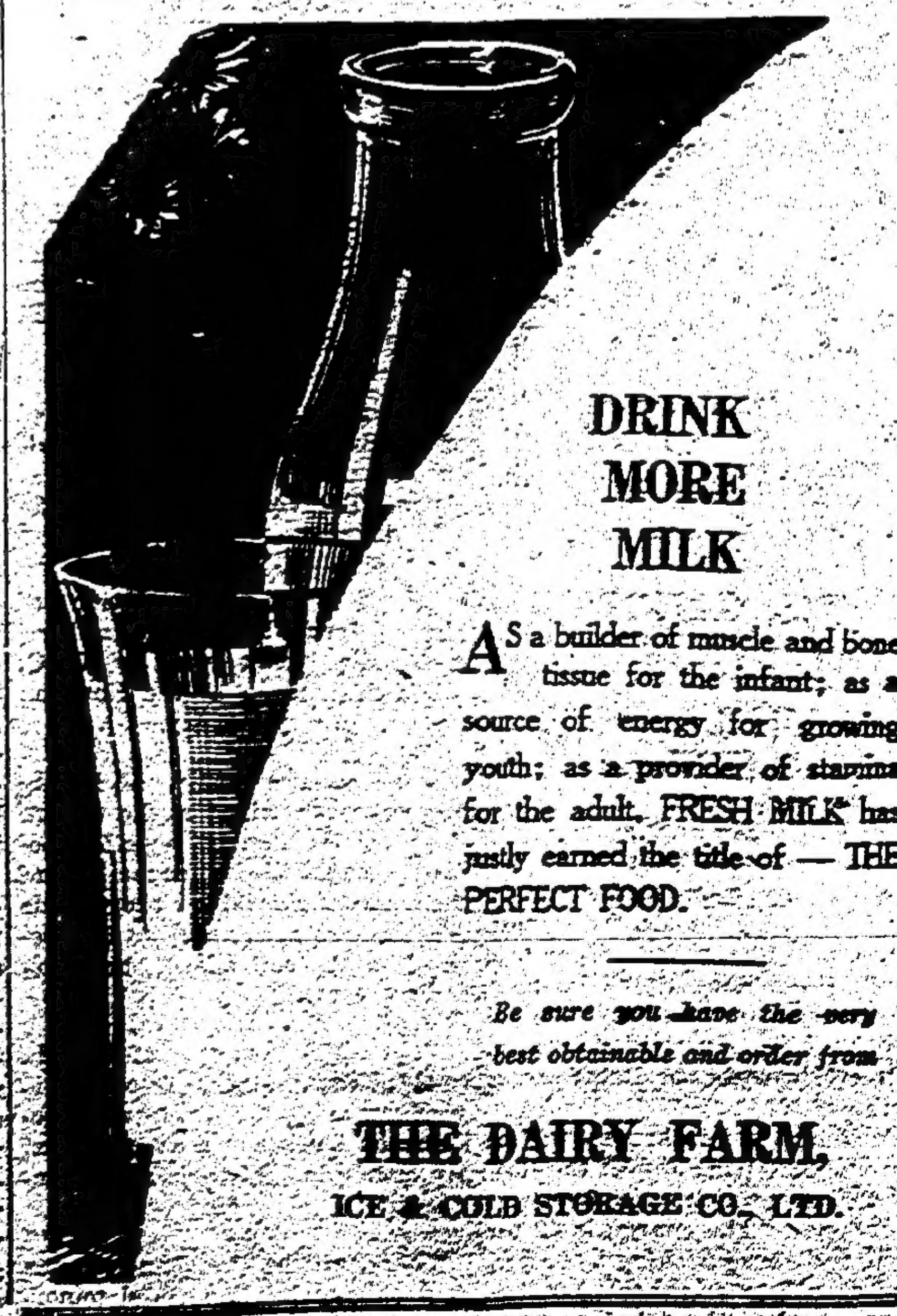
The rejection of the bill was moved for the Labour Party by Mr. Lees Smith, who claimed that the bill, to which educationalists had looked forward eagerly, had been received with disillusionment and dismay, and he criticised in particular the provisions for exemption, which would render the higher age-limit substantially inoperative. Sir Percy Harris, for the Liberals, welcomed the measure as a great educational advance, but also criticised the exemption clauses. The debate continues.—British Wireless Service.



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## A Broadcast Talk

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And yet somehow there seemed no other way. The sight of him for ever munching invariably made me so frantically hungry that I just had to go and buy something. He never offered me a sweet in all the five years we were at school together, but he always had his pockets bulging. And then there were those impositions that I was always getting for lateness and untidiness. I could never endure to stay indoors when the sun was shining and everyone else was out enjoying themselves.

But it was no penance to Banstead. He loathed exercise. He spent his half-holidays sitting indoors doing lines for other people at a price. So far as I know he never got any lines himself. He was far too cunning. But he made a packet out of writing other people's lines. He never seemed anxious to be paid.

For one thing he liked having people in his power, and another the rate of interest for deferred payments was so high that the longer the bill remained unpaid the better pleased he was. So far as I know he never had a bad debt. After all, it wouldn't do to let masters know that you'd had your lines done for you, would it?

I'm afraid my borrowing didn't stop at school. He was still lending me money when we went up to Oxford. And he imposed other conditions there. He wouldn't lend me money until I had introduced him to Jimmy Philmorton, the only close friend I've ever had in my life. His aim was clear enough. He meant by hook or by crook to take him from me.

What happened to those lights? They've gone out. You can't see me off now. You must listen. You must. Listen, listen, please.

Jimmy saw through people. He wasn't having any of Banstead and he told him so pretty straight. Not that Banstead was easily put off. He was for ever dropping into our digs—I shared with Jimmy—on the excuse of seeing me. But when Banstead appeared Jimmy would just get up and walk out.

And then one evening in June at the end of our second year Jimmy went out without a word, and his body was recovered twenty-four hours later from the upper river.

They did not find a scrap of evidence that pointed to anything but accident, so Accident it was I kept to myself the crumpled-up letter that I found in the waste paper basket.

Why? Because I loved Jimmy and in the hours following the discovery of the body had been born a desire to kill with my own hands the writer of that note. You see, I suspected Banstead. From the moment when he came in, with a malicious gleam behind his eyes, to ask if there was anything he could do, I suspected him. But I wanted to try, and make certain before I did anything.

Jimmy pretty well lived for his mother (he fussed round her as though she were a pretty cousin when she came up for Eight Weeks), and that note was the foulest product of an anonymous letter writer's mind I had ever seen. It said things about Jimmy's mother in a manner that had evidently unbalanced his too sensitive mind. Knowing Jimmy, I had no doubt whatever that that note was the cause of the "accident."

I was never able to trace the writer. I only suspected... Banstead. And now he who had taught me so much, now taught me how to hate. With Jimmy gone, I had nothing in life that I cared about. I turned all my pent-up energies into one direction. Banstead had robbed me of my friend. I would rob him of everything he wanted in the world.

I suppose I really owe everything to Banstead. I certainly should never have aspired to be President of the Union had he himself not so obviously wanted it. I should never have stood for election at Bristol had it not been that he was so anxious to get in. I should certainly never have looked at things as Letitia Fencham if Banstead had not already been practically engaged to her.

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## Talkie Talks

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of comedy, which is a surprise coming from the actor who recently made a sensation as "Mercurio" on Broadway with the century's greatest "Juliet"—Katherine Cornell.

A delightful cast, under the expert direction of "Woody" van Dyke make this a film to remember. You simply cannot beat Frank Morgan in his particular type, and that loved character actress of "One Night of Love" fame, Jessie Ralph scores in a "hit". Joan, who has the best material she has had in quite a while, meets every requirement and comes through with a first-class performance. When I say I have already seen it four times you can guess this is a film I heartily recommend.

"Big Broadcast of 1936" comes next. Absurd story with Burns and Allen, Jack Oakie, Lyda Roberti and many more endeavouring to be amusing. A few turns on the tele-vision Radio save the picture from being quite a flop.

That excellent actor Spencer Tracy in "Murder Man" has his first chance under the M.G.M. banner and does exceedingly well with reasonably good material. The story begins with the amusing adventures of a wise-cracking news-hound and develops into tense drama. Virginia, Bruce Edward Arnold and Robert Barrett help along. (Oriental).

### Star, Kowloon

Like "The Front Page" and "Blessed Event", the Jimmy Cagney feature "The Picture Snatcher" lets filmgoers into the astounding secrets of American "tabloid" journalism and further light is thrown upon the fascinating subject by this particular film. Jimmy Cagney is the hero to the life. Pat Ellis, Alice White, Ralph Bellamy and others.

This is followed by the sensational "Becky Sharp", the first in the new Technicolor. It is almost natural and this picture is likely to pave the way for all-colour films. At times it is still too vivid but from all accounts the studios are all concentrating on perfection, which does not seem far distant. Miriam Hopkins as the vulgar little heroine, Frances Dee, Alan Mowbray, Nigel Bruce and dozens more. Certainly advise seeing it once.

There is an innovation at the Star in the first-run of the Gaumont-British picture starring the sixteen-year-old actress Nova Pilbeam. "Little Friend" shows us this clever girl as the daughter of parents drifting towards divorce, and her gradual comprehension of an approaching domestic crisis is cleverly shown. The most telling scene is where the girl is cross-examined in the witness box at the divorce hearing. She shows a great deal of promise and the film is advised just to see her.

Matheson Lang and Lydia Sherwood are the parents, with Arthur Margetson (who recently married the American film actress Shirley Grey) Allan Aynesworth, Jean Cadell, and Jimmy Hanley the boy. The film debut of Nova Pilbeam (now at work in a film of the life of Lady Jane Grey) is interesting and, even if the picture is not wholly satisfactory, it has the merit of testing Miss Pilbeam's ability thoroughly. (Star).—DIANE



Francis Lederer, Frances Dee and Lemor Pawle are the principals in "The Gay Deception," which is now being screened at the King's Theatre.



James Cagney is featured in the leading role in "Picture Snatcher," the current attraction at the Star Theatre.



Lewis Stone and Dick Powell, portraying father and son, have their most dramatic roles in "Shipmates Forever," the Cosmopolitan picture which will be shown at the Queen's Theatre soon.



Edward Arnold, Sally Eilers, Monroe Owsley and Ed Brophy are co-starred in "Remember Last Night," a Universal picture which is shortly coming to the Colony.



A scene from "His Night Out," a Universal picture which is shortly coming to the Colony.

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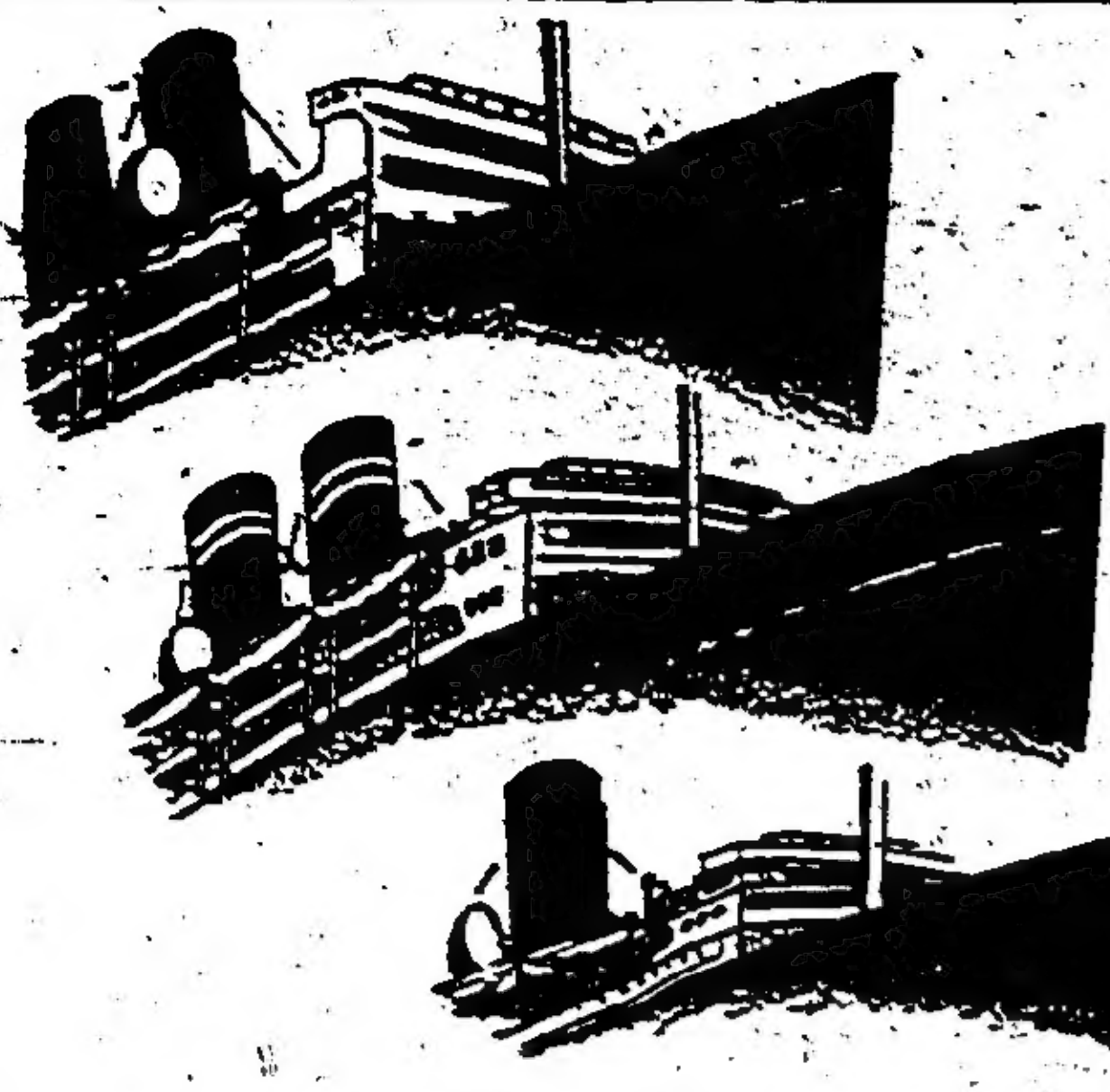
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NANKIN	7,000	5th Mar.	Shanghai & Japan.
TALMA	10,000	5th Mar.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan.
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Edward Everett Horton and Irene Hervey will be seen in the leading roles in Universal's "His Night Out," which will be shown here shortly.

## Short Shots

(Continued from Page 7.)

Carole Lombard and Fred MacMurray are again together in "Hard to Handle." This young man is popular as co-star with Claudette Colbert also.

John Beal has been seriously ill but, having recovered, has been given the leading male role with Katharine Hepburn in "Quality Street."

Paramount are planning to make an all-colour film, called "Journey to Mars," which will tell of a party of men who leave the earth to explore Mars.

Gary Cooper will play in a Western, "Pony Express." He is also mentioned as the possible lead in the Cecil B. de Mille story of "Buffalo Bill."

The Marx Brothers will make another film this year for M.G.M.

Helen Perry (Vinson) states that latest rumour is that Leslie Howard will not play "Romeo" to Norma Shearer's "Juliet." Thalberg always does the right thing and refused to allow his wife to play Shakespeare until he saw the world was ready for it in a big way. Judging by the enormous success of Katherine Cornell in her tour of the States, playing only Shakespearean plays, he sees the time is ripe now. I wish Brian Aherne had been cast as "Mercutio" instead of Basil Rathbone. The latter, you know, played "Romeo" on Broadway with Katherine Cornell.

Margaret Lockwood, British film actress, has been given the lead with Maurice Chevalier in his first British picture, Loid's "The Beloved Vagabond."—DIANE.

## PLAYFUL FOAL TRAGEDY

### Accidental Death Verdict

The playfulness of a young foal was stated recently at a Stepney inquest to have been responsible for the death of a three-year-old child of a groom.

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## A Broadcast Talk

(Continued from Page 11)

It's odd how easy it all was. Once I had robbed him of her I was a made man. With such a wife no man could fail. Her family pulled all the strings. I had Banstead just where I wanted him. I let him get a certain way in politics, just far enough to make him think I'd forgotten him, and then I sprang—and he was out.

He then turned to Education, underrating the extent of my, or rather my wife's, influence there. I saw to it that he succeeded in getting the Headmastership he wanted. And I let him hold it just three years, long enough to make a name for himself.

Then I swooped again.

You say listening, aren't you? It seems so odd, not that the light is no longer on, but you couldn't cut me off without hearing now that you see how important it is.

There have been many moments of triumph in my life, but one of the sweetest was the day on which, after repeated denials, I at last granted him an interview to defend himself against the accusations that led to his being asked to resign his headmastership.

It was fun to be able to be so charming to him and so full of pretended sympathy, and yet to know that all the evidence against him was faked, and that he knew that I knew, and that he couldn't, in spite of that, do anything about it.

The papers gave a fine splash to that episode. I saw to that. (Now probably you recall the name). It was a very unsavoury case. It ruined the school, and it ruined him. He was quite innocent.

I didn't have to worry about him after that. Occasionally I read the lists of suicides to see if he was among them, but there are so many. He might easily have slipped through without my notice. I hoped not. I wanted every step in my triumph to be seen by Banstead.

Success is an odd thing. I had not, as a boy, been ambitious. It was owing entirely to my effort to do down Banstead that I had

grown to be so. An odd turn of the screw. Having started, there was no turning back. I was now ambition's slave. I had to go from success to success exactly as Macbeth went on from murder to murder until he was wading knee-deep in blood.

And I had another link with Macbeth. My wife died in the middle of one of my fiercest battles for power. There would have been a time for such a word. But not then. I had used her to gain office. Some day I would repay, so far as in me lay, what she had done for me. I was not ungrateful even if I was incapable of true husbandly affection.

But the chance never came for me to show my gratitude. Her death caught me unawares. Not that she would have ever let me show it. She was proud of what she had made me, but she remained to the end as quietly aloof as she had been at the beginning. She needn't have died. It was through sheer lack of any will to live. And on the very day of the funeral I read that Banstead had been sent to prison for blackmail. Joy mingled with my sorrow.

And since then I've lived only for my daughter. It's odd when you think how unlike me she is, how like her mother in beauty and reserve, and poise and absence of passion, that she should have taken to me so, borne with my insolence, impatience, and quick furies. She is like Jimmy in her simplicity, unswerving loyalty, loving so unreservedly. And yet he walked out without one word to me. With a similar incentive might she not, too, act as he acted?

I sent Felicity, that is my daughter, to the South of France last week. I felt she needed a holiday from me. This India business has been getting on my nerves. What I was going to tell you to-night would have made all the difference to my future.

She knew that, too. She had been my mainstay through all this troublous battle. But there was no more that she could do. I sent her away. That was last week. To-night, I was dining quietly by myself, as I always do before broadcasting, in the Cottemore. Just as I was on my way to wash—I always make rather a ceremony of washing before broadcasting—a bell-boy came after me with a note, a common enough occurrence, but just before broadcasting I dislike it because it means something either completely irrelevant or something of immense importance.

I was in a hurry. It was too dark in the corridor to read it. I waited till I got to the lavatory, and while the attendant was filling the basin for me I opened it, and there fell out a newspaper cutting. It was a portrait of Felicity. I went cold all over. I am always anticipating some accident. She's so reckless, and she's all I've got in the world. But there was a note as well as the cutting. I opened it.

Before my eyes had time to read the first words I knew that the writing was familiar. I was holding in my hand once more the note that had sent Jimmy to his death. As I read the lines before me my hand began to shake uncontrollably—this time the writer had fastened his fangs into Felicity. Why?

Did he imagine that I would go out and hang myself because of those few lines of dirt? He would not be such a fool. Anonymous letter-writers do not seek to kill, only to hurt and maim. Had he sought to "kill" Jimmy? Perhaps not, but Jimmy had died.

"Is there anything I can do, sir?" I looked up and saw the reflection of the attendant in the mirror in front of me.

It is over thirty years since I last saw that malicious gleam lurking behind Banstead's eyes, but in spite of the bent shoulders, the furrowed lines, the premature old age, short cropped grey hair, I recognised him at once.

So it was he who had sent that note to Jimmy, and now this one to me to put me off my balance at a supreme psychological moment. I felt a glow of delight that he had sunk to his depth from headmaster to lavatory attendant. Then that feeling was followed by one of unguaranteed desire to destroy once and for all those mocking eyes. As I turned on him he shrank back in terror.

This is what you said to me the night of the 17th, only that night he had been hurried off.

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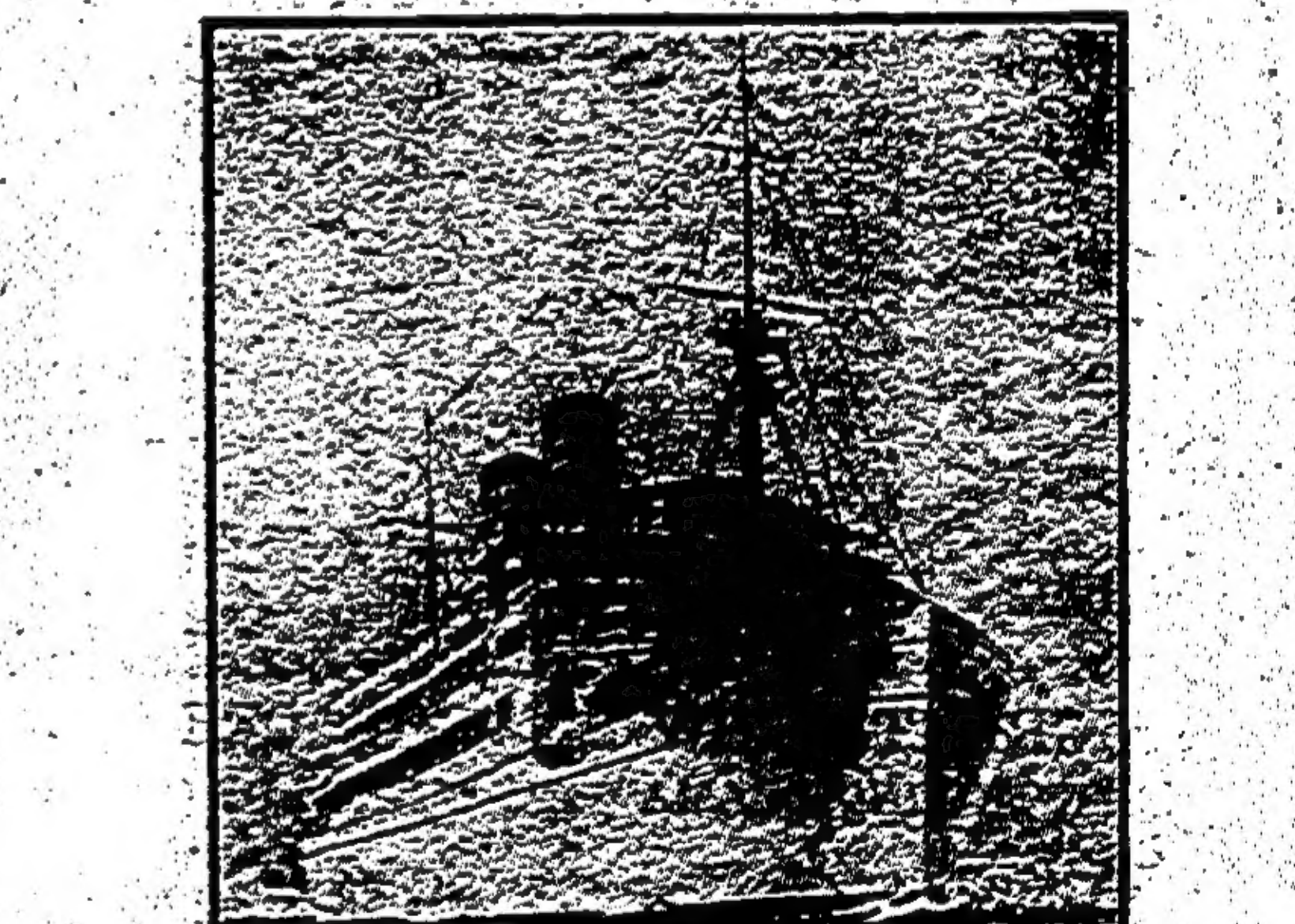
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rat with a terrier, and he knew it. As I fastened my fingers round his throat my mind went back to the day at school when I felt the ring of fire round my throat, and I gripped the harder. I thought of Jimmy's lonely death in the quiet water, and I shook the struggling thing and smiled at the staring eye-balls.

I dragged his body to his own little dark room, shut the door on it, and then went back to wash strangely calm, as if something had been accomplished.

I then walked across the road to the B.B.C. . . . I wanted you to know the truth of it before you

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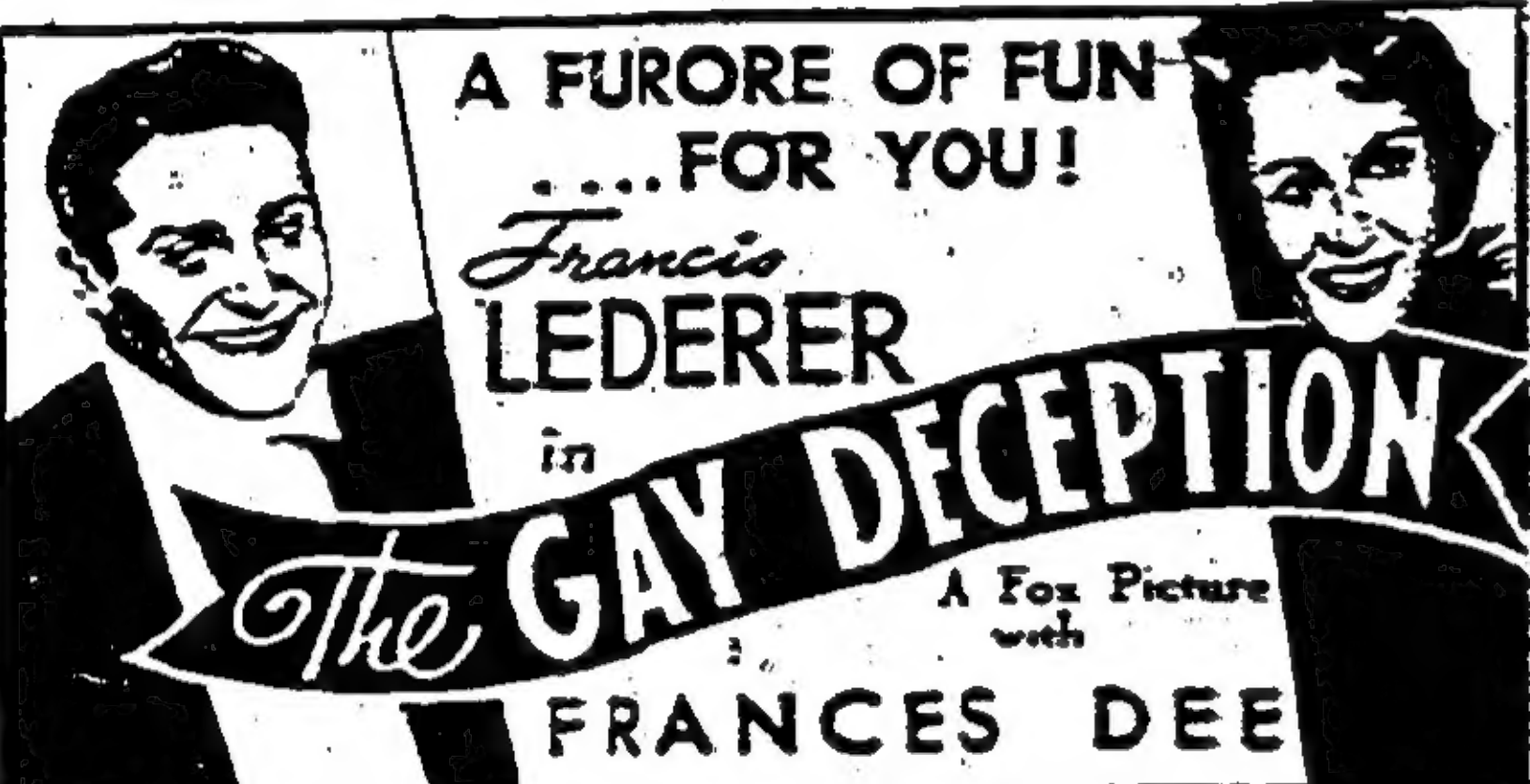
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## JAPAN'S AIMS IN CHINA

Increasing Influence Sought

ALLIANCE AGAINST SOVIET RUSSIA?

[From Our Own Correspondent Canton, To-day.]

Further Japanese expansion in China is envisaged by the appointment of Mr. Hachiro Arita as Ambassador to China, because he is closely connected with the military faction in Japan, according to a Tokyo report received here last night.

The report stated that Japan wants to have a bigger influence over Shantung with its port of Tsingtao, which will be the centre of Japanese commercial activities in future. Japan will use every effort to befriend General Han Fu-chu, Chairman of the Shantung Provincial Government.

According to the same source, the new Japanese Ambassador is not so much interested in adjusting Sino-Japanese controversies as in increasing the Japanese influence in North China. A Sino-Japanese alliance against Soviet Russia is the ultimate objective, it is said.

Mr. Hsu Shih-ying, the new Chinese Ambassador to Japan, is acceptable to Tokyo owing to his past connection with the pro-Japanese faction known as the Anfu Club, headed by Marshal Tuan Chi-jui. Mr. Hsu's appointment is fully endorsed by the Marshal now living in retirement at Shanghai.

## WINTER GAMES

Norway Win Third Gold Medal

WORLD CHAMPION BEATEN IN SPEED-SKATING

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL Garmisch-Partenkirchen, To-day.

Norway won her third Gold Medal, when Charles Mathisen took first place in the 1,500 metres speed-skating race, covering the distance in the new Olympic record time of 2 minutes, 19.2 seconds.

The World champion, Ballangrud, winner of the 500 and 5,000 metres races, had to be content with second place.

The Finn Vasenius captured third place, being followed by Freisinger, (United States), Stieple, (Austria), Wazulek, (Austria), Haraldsen, (Norway), and Engstamanger, (Norway).

The German champion succeeded in establishing another German record, but could only take 14th place.

Germany won her third Olympic Gold Medal in the presence of Chancellor Adolf Hitler and leading officials when the German pair, Maxi Herber and Ernst Baier, were judged to be the best of the 18 competing pairs in the figure-skating. —Trans-Ocean Service.

CANADA v. BRITAIN Garmisch, To-day.

In the Men's Olympic Pairs Ice Figure-Skating event, which took place yesterday, Ernst Baier and Maxi Herber, of Germany, won the title with 11.5 points.

A Semi-Final Round fixture in the Olympic Ice-Hockey tournament between Canada, the Olympic holders, and Germany resulted in a win for the former by 5 goals to 2.

Canada are now in the final group, together with Great Britain.

In the other Semi-Final group the United States eliminated Sweden by the odd goal in three and are in the Final group with Czechoslovakia. —Reuter.

## LONG-DISTANCE TELEPHONE

Shanghai-Tokyo Service Inaugurated

Nanking, To-day.

The Shanghai-Tokyo radio telephone is being officially inaugurated to-morrow morning. Congratulations will be exchanged between Chinese and Japanese leaders before the line is opened for traffic.

The charges have been fixed at \$11 for three minutes and \$5 for every additional minute. The service is expected to be shortly expanded to other parts of China and Japan. —Reuter.

## CASTING VOTE DECIDES

Scene In Indian Assembly

CONGRESS BILL DEFEATED

New Delhi, To-day.

By the casting vote of the President the Assembly rejected a bill sponsored by a Congress member proposing the repeal of the Criminal Law Act of 1900, authorising the Government to declare any association unlawful. Sixty-six people voted on each side, whereupon the President voted against the bill, amid official cheers. —Reuter.

## RESPONSIBILITY TOO GREAT

(Continued from Page 1)

War Material For Abyssinia

Paris, earlier.—The Abyssinian Minister to France, during a prolonged conference with the French Foreign Minister, M. Flandin, lodged a protest because the mostly French-owned railway line from Djibouti to Addis Ababa refuses to transport arms and ammunition shipments to Abyssinia.

The French statesman, it is said, informed the Abyssinian envoy that the Sarrant Government held the same views as its predecessor in office, namely, that it will not take sides for either of the belligerents.

Italians Forced Into Defensive

Addis Ababa.—More than 100,000 Abyssinian troops under Ras Nasibu on the southern front are said to be advancing towards the south after capturing the town of Curail, according to despatches reaching here, which add that the Italians have been forced into the defensive along the entire front from the province of Ogaden as far as Negelli. The despatches further state that Ras Nasibu's aim is the capture of the Italian positions in the Ogaden desert in order to avert the danger of an eventual advance by General Graziani against the town of Harrar and the Djibouti railway.

Other messages reaching here announce a new Abyssinian victory south-west of Negelli, where it is stated that troops formerly commanded by Ras Desta have succeeded in capturing the fortified enemy positions on the River Dawa Parma. —Trans-Ocean Service.

## BRITISH SHIPPING SUBSIDY

Continuance Bill Passes First Reading

London, To-day.

The House of Commons has passed the report stage of the British Shipping Subsidy Continuance Bill, founded on the resolution passed on February 11. The Bill was introduced by Mr. E. L. Burgin, National Liberal Member for Luton, and passed its first reading.

A Reuter's message of Tuesday last stated:—

In the House of Commons today a resolution for the continuance during 1936 of the £2,000,000 subsidy for British tramp shipping was carried by 205 votes to 134.

## NEW U.S. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF TREASURY

Washington, to-day.—Mr. W. Taylor, president of the export and Import Bank, has been appointed assistant Secretary of the Treasury in succession to Mr. L. W. Robert, whose resignation becomes effective to-morrow. —Reuter.

## WEATHER REPORT

The anti-cyclone is still stationary over China and the neighbouring seas. It continues to decrease in intensity, and pressure is now highest to the north of the Yangtze Valley. North-east winds, moderate, cloudy, was the forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

## OIL EMBARGO ON ITALY

League Committee Reports

CONCLUSIONS IN FULL

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL Geneva, To-day.

The eagerly awaited report of the Committee entrusted with examining the possibilities of applying an oil embargo against Italy, was published on Wednesday, and comes to the following conclusions:

(1) The oil embargo, if generally applied, could attain its maximum effectiveness after three to three and a half months.

(2) If the oil embargo should be applied by the States represented in the Sanctions Conference, it would become effective if the United States would limit its oil exports to Italy to the peace-level of the years preceding the year 1935.

(3) If the oil embargo was applied by the States represented on the Sanctions Conference, it would only have the effect of increasing the cost of oil for Italy.

(4) In view of the fact that substitutes for petroleum can be found, it would render the oil embargo more effective if industrial alcohol and its derivatives were included in it.

(5) The effectiveness of the transport embargo is subject to similar limitations as the oil embargo. If members of the Sanctions Conference should prohibit the use of their own tankers for the transport of oil to Italy, then the latter country would be in position to import 50 per cent. of its oil requirements by its own tankers and the tankers of other States.

(6) In the event of a transport embargo being decided upon, it would be advisable to prohibit the tankers of the League Powers from calling at Italian ports, and moreover to prohibit the sale of tankers to countries not participating in the oil embargo.

(7) In the event of an oil embargo being decided upon, it would be advisable to prevent the transport of oil to side channels, such as free harbours, because that would be calculated to greatly counteract the effectiveness of the oil embargo. —Trans-Ocean Service.

## OIL SANCTIONS QUESTION

London Refuses To Comment

London, To-day.

Official British circles decline to comment on the report of the committee on oil sanctions. It is stated that London cannot anticipate the deliberation of the Committee of Eighteen, which might conceivably decide to pursue the oil sanctions despite the committee's conclusions and the changed situation in America on the neutrality question. —Reuter's Bulletin Service.

## EXCESS RESERVE IN AMERICA

Advisory Council's Warning

Washington, To-day.

Renewing its warning of the danger of a huge excess reserve, the Federal Reserve Advisory Council, after a meeting yesterday with the new Federal Reserve Board, left the latter a series of recommendations favouring immediate steps for the reduction of the excess reserve.

However, well-informed circles express the opinion that no action is likely in the near future. —Reuter.

## SOIL CONSERVATION BILL IN AMERICA

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